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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

A GREAT FRENCH SUCCESS.

GERMAN POSITION AT ST. MIHIEL THREATENED.

French Petty Officer's Daring Deed.

ANOTHER GERMAN CRUISER PUTS IN AT AMERICAN PORT.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

More Fighting.

April 12, 1.55 a.m.

The Paris evening communique states:—

North of Albert, German attacks on our trenches at Hamel and Bois Thiepval on Saturday night were repulsed after a hand-to-hand fight.

There was fighting all nigh. in Argonne. We destroyed a block-house, captured 300 metres of trenches and repulsed two counter-attacks.

We captured a fresh line of trenches at Bois d'Ailly.

On Saturday evening our aeroplanes dropped bombs on the station and a foundry at Bruges.

Another German Cruiser Compelled to Put In.

April 12, 1.55 a.m.

A message from Newport News states that the German converted cruiser Kron Prinz Wilhelm arrived there at 6 o'clock in the morning and reported that she was short of coal and provisions.

She anchored at the position formerly occupied by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich.

Big Russian Captures.

April 12, 12.30 a.m.

A Petrograd communique states:—

The enemy, in serried columns, supported by artillery, fiercely attacked on Friday and the following night our columns descending the southern slopes of the Carpathians, but was repulsed with enormous losses. We captured a whole battalion.

We carried several heights in the direction of Uzsok, making further captures.

Escaped Germans Recaptured.

April 12, 12.30 a.m.

Two German officers who escaped from the camp in Denbighshire have been recaptured after wandering in the mountains for a week.

Further Progress.

April 11, 4.30 p.m.

A Paris communique states:—

In Belgium, the Aisne and Champagne, artillery actions are taking place.

The progress between the Meuse and the Moselle, reported last night, is confirmed. We captured fresh trenches on the east side of Bois de Montmare and repulsed counter-attacks.

We advanced to the western edge of Bois-le-Pretre.

There was snow and rain all day long.

French Trade Recovery.

April 11, 7.5 p.m.

Reuter's Paris correspondent states that the revenue returns for March show a continuance of the great recovery of trade.

The Customs figures are higher than for 1914.

Looking Ahead.

April 11, 7.5 p.m.

The Cunard Company issues an announcement that it is prepared to quote prospective rate for freights to Smyrna, Constantinople and the Black Sea.

Mysterious Firing.

April 11, 11.20 p.m.

Belated telegrams from Norway report that prolonged and heavy firing was heard at Bergen on Friday and that the beams of searchlights were observed seawards. No explanation is forthcoming.

Not Torpedoed.

April 11, 11.20 p.m.

Twelve survivors of the Guernsey have reached Southampton. They relate that the vessel ran ashore in darkness and that the captain and six of the crew are missing.

Important French Move.

April 11, 6.55 p.m.

A special French advance on the western edge of Bois Le Pretre is most important for it means that the French have now entire command of the wood and threaten Saint Mihiel which is fed by a light railway from Metz.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

French Petty Officers Pluck.

April 11, 6.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris reports that during the fighting in the Dardanelles, the Suffren was hit by a shell from a six-inch gun which set fire to some ammunition. A petty officer in the magazine broke the scuttles of the casement, opened the war valve and flooded the magazine?

Then with trepidation he approached the commander, having acted without orders.

He was however warmly congratulated and mentioned in the despatches.

April 11, 6.25 p.m.

Included in the casualty lists are:—

Wounded C. Cinnamond, F. Eglington, P. Maltbo, Major W. M. Stewart and E. F. Tickell.

To-night's list includes 312 men killed, 770 wounded, and 48 missing. The principal sufferers are the Scots Fusiliers, the Border Regiment, the Liverpools, the Gordons, the Black Watch, and the Camerons.

Bishop of London at the Front.

April 11, 3.55 p.m.

The Bishop of London has visited the entire British front. The services which he held were enormously successful, taking place in picturesque surroundings of massed cavalry or in the immense hangars of the flying corps, parks of the Service Corps and sometimes beside lorries.

The Bishop was often within range of the German guns and the officers responsible for his safety had many anxious moments.

There were magnificent congregations. The attendance was voluntary but every body possible seemed to be present.

The Bishop said simple prayers of consecration among groups of British graves, and held three confirmation services for several men who, caked with mud, had come straight from the trenches.

Never were the simple British hymns "Rock of Ages" etc sung more impressively than with the accompaniment of booming guns.

The Submarine Fiasco.

(Official Telegram from the British Foreign Office.)

April 9.

The Admiralty announces that during the week March 31st to April 7th 1,234 vessels entered and left ports in Great Britain, of which five were torpedoed by the enemy submarines. The decrease in sailings is due to the Easter Holidays.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

Russian Progress Admitted.

April, 11, 3.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Venice states that telegrams received from Budapest admit that the Russians continue their attacks in the Carpathians with undiminished vigour and are continually bringing up reinforcements to the firing line.

A heavy artillery engagement occurred about Bartfeld, following which the Russians are exerting their whole strength to force a passage on the western boundary of the Saros district in order to make a flank attack on the Austrian position in the Makowitz valley.

The newspapers seek to comfort their readers with assurances that the Russian successes are relatively unimportant.

Masters of the Carpathians.

April 11, 3.20 a.m.

A Petrograd communique states that the Russians captured two lines of trenches west of Niemen, and after fierce bayonetting, took six hundred prisoners and eight mitrailleuses.

The Russians also dislodged the Austrians on the single height held by them in the principal chain of the Carpathians, where the Russians are now masters of the situation.

Belgian Relief Ship Torpedoed.

April 11, 3.20 a.m.

A Rotterdam steamer has arrived with 27 of the crew of the British steamer Harpalyce which was mined or torpedoed near the Noord Hinder lightship. It is feared that 26 of the crew were drowned.

The Harpalyce was chartered by the Belgian Relief Committee for conveying stores to starving Belgians.

April 11, 5.55 a.m.

It is reported from Amsterdam that the Harpalyce was torpedoed and sank within five minutes. The crew were Chinese with the exception of the officers, and all were thrown into the water, there being no time to lower the boats. The rescuing vessels saw the periscope of a submarine. Some of the survivors are badly wounded.

The five hundred ton steamer Guernsey has been sunk off Cape Hogue.

Patriotic Action in Birmingham.

April 10, 1.45 p.m.

Owing to the shortage of workers in the armament factories the Corporation of Birmingham has decided to release a thousand employees to work in the factories and Earl Kitchener has expressed his gratitude.

The miners in Nottinghamshire are curtailing their Easter holidays.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

German Socialists Protest Against the War.

April 11, 3.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam states that a section of the German Socialist party, who are in favour of peace, have distributed pamphlets signed by Dr. Liebnecht, Herr Ledebour and others, declaring that the German proletariat does not agree with the pro-war policy of a section of the party.

The pamphlet adds that protest against the continuation of the war is daily increasing in Germany and they demand that the belligerents should publish the peace conditions, which the press of the country should be allowed to discuss.

American Press and the German Note.

April 11, 3.20 a.m.

The New York "Globe" characterises the German note as offensive, and maintains that shipments of munitions from the United States have never been questioned.

[The following telegrams appeared in our special edition yesterday:—]

Half Company of Germans Surrounded.

April 11, 2.40 a.m.

In Bois Montmarie we carried another line of trenches.

We repulsed a counter-attack in Lorraine. A half company of Germans, which had reached the village Bezange La Grande, between the Franco-German lines, was surrounded by superior forces and captured.

Further Progress at Les Eparges.

April 11, 2.40 a.m.

A Paris evening communique says that between the Meuse and the Moselle we retained all ground gained and made fresh progress.

The enemy has taken no action at Les Eparges, either with cavalry or with infantry.

Importance of French Successes.

The communique continues: The statements of prisoners emphasise the importance of our success. They say that their general was ready to sacrifice a hundred thousand men to retain it.

The Germans, since the end of February, had at Les Eparges the entire 33rd. Division in reserve. Then, towards the end of March, when this division was exhausted, the tenth active division of the 5th. Army Corps, composed of the flower of the army, was brought up. This was the division which lost a veritable fortress on a spur at Les Eparges.

The troops were frequently ordered to hold on at all costs.

They were told that the position was of the greatest importance.

The losses of the Germans at Les Eparges for the last two months amount to 30,000 men.

Received by the Tsar.

London April 9, 5.55 p.m.

A message from Petrograd states that the Tsar has received Mr. C. M. Marling, Councillor of Embassy at Constantinople, who is proceeding to Teheran.

French Barque Torpedoed.

April 10, 12.45 p.m.

The French barque Chateaubriand was sunk in mid-channel by a German submarine. The crew were saved.

Germany Prohibits Despatch of Goods to Italy.

April 10, 12.45 p.m.

According to Reuter's Paris correspondent the newspapers there report that the German authorities have prohibited the despatch of goods from Germany to Italy. Empty trucks are returning to Italy by the Lake Constance route, being detained at Lindau and Friedrichshafen.

Another German Plot.

April 10, 12.45 p.m.

Reuter's New York correspondent says that a German plot has been discovered to bribe tugboat captains to make affidavits that they delivered supplies to British warships off New York. The allegations are unfounded and several captains are to be prosecuted for perjury.

British Casualties.

April 9, 5.55 p.m.

A further list is as follows:—

Killed: W. Megaw, B. Bull.

Died of wounds: T. Pocock, F. Sartorius, Second Lieut. T. Salt. (Welsh Borderers)

Wounded: F. A. Cooper, A. Cousamaker, J. O. Cowan, A. N. Lewis, G. M. Renny, C. F. Wells, N. McMicking,

Killed (Unofficial): G. Ferrier.

Died of wounds (Unofficial): Lieut. I. Miller (Inniskillings).

Progress of the Anti-Drink Movement.

April 10, 1.45 p.m.

The first indication of the attitude of the workers towards prohibition is furnished by the result of a plebiscite at Messrs. Harland and Wolff's yard at Govan. Thirty-one per cent. favoured prohibition, forty-four the continuation of the present system, fifteen restriction as to hours, and ten the prohibition of spirits.

Mr. Lloyd George has received a deputation on behalf of the wine and spirit trade of the United Kingdom, regarding the restriction of drinking during the war. It is understood that a suggestion has been made that there should be an increase in spirit duty of five shillings per gallon, as an alternative to prohibition.

The Prince of Wales.

April 10, 4.15 p.m.

The Prince of Wales has arrived in London with Sir John French's despatches.

Desperate Bayonet Fighting.

April 10, 4.15 p.m.

A Paris communique says: There is nothing to report except that two attacks, which made us masters of the last German positions at Les Eparges, led to desperate bayonet fighting.

Holland and Germany—A Misunderstanding.

April 10, 1.50 p.m.

There is some misunderstanding over the announcement in the *Telegraaf* of April 6, to the effect that two submarines passed Ghent by way of the Belgian Scheldt, and thence through the Canal to Zeebrugge. There is no question of infraction of Dutch neutrality.

(Continued on page 5).

TELEGRAMS.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The Russians are now masters of the Carpathians.

The two German officers who escaped in Denbighshire have been recaptured.

French aeroplanes have dropped bombs on the station and a foundry at Bruges.

The Bishop of London has visited the entire British front and conducted services.

The French advance threatens St. Mihiel, which is fed by a light railway from Metz.

The French revenue returns for March show a continuance of the great recovery of trade.

The losses of the Germans at Les Eparges for the last two months amount to 30,000 men.

Belated telegrams from Norway report that heavy and prolonged firing was heard at Bergen on Friday.

It is reported that the German authorities have prohibited the despatch of goods from Germany to Italy.

A suggestion has been made at Home to increase the spirit duty by 5s. a gallon as alternative to prohibition.

The German converted cruiser Kron Prinz Wilhelm has put in at Newport News, being short of coal and provisions.

German Socialists have distributed pamphlets stating that German proletariats do not agree to the pro-war policy.

Damage to the extent of a quarter of a million sterling has been done by a fire at the Stanley Dock warehouse, Liverpool.

The Cunard Company announces that it is prepared to quote prospective freight rates for Smyrna, Constantinople and the Black Sea.

A German plot has been discovered in New York to bribe tug-boat captains to make affidavits that they had delivered supplies to British warships.

NEWS.

"Jottings by the Way" appear elsewhere.

Saturday's local spot is reported in this issue.

Further Notes on the Crisis appear on page 4.

A special article on "Hongkong Coinage" appears on page 4.

General news and an article headed "Battlefield Realism" appear on page 3.

A sermon by the Rev. J. K. Maconachie on "The Superman and the Christ" is reported to-day.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, Commercial News on page 9, and Log Book on page 6.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
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TO-MORROW.

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Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal.—"Diplomacy"—9.15 p.m.

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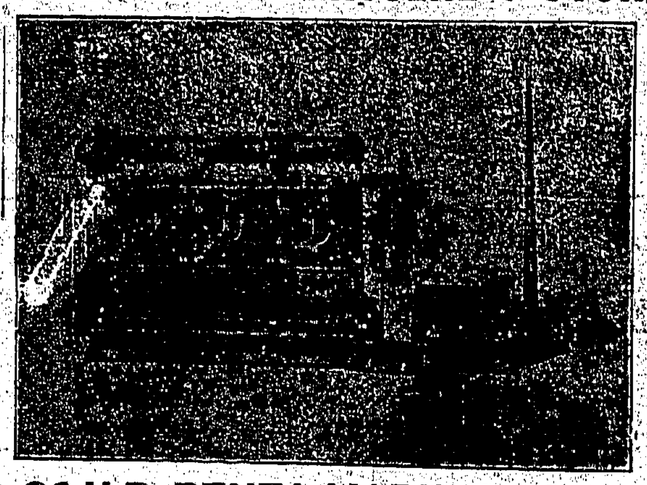

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

South China Morning Post.

The Ante Alcohol War.

Recently King Albert prohibited the sale of alcoholic drinks in those parts of Belgium over which he still has jurisdiction. Germany, too, has been forced to make some attempt to limit the consumption of alcohol by her soldiers and to lower the intoxicating properties of the national lager. What is being attempted in Great Britain and Ireland in the way of temperance reform is therefore only part of a world-wide movement. It is one of those things that matter, one of those things which can only be ignored in this time of crisis at the nation's peril. Much depends upon the perfect condition, physical, moral and mental, of the nation. Russia fighting without alcohol is a very different foe from the far from sober Russia that fought in the last great war. We have much to learn from Russia and in the great reform which is now being agitated let us not be blind to the lessons and example she presents for our consideration.

Daily Press.

Kwangtung and the Gambling Evil.

It is noteworthy that neither in the Memorial of the Ministry of Finance nor in the President's minute is there any condemnation of the action of the provincial official in allowing this lottery to be started, contrary to law, save the mild censure which may perhaps be read in the recommendation that the lottery should be sanctioned only for a period of three years and that in the meantime the provincial authorities should be required to devise less objectionable means of providing the revenue necessary to cover administrative expenditures. It was a surprise to learn that sanction on any terms whatever had been given to the project by the President. Now, if we interpret aright the telegram which we print in another column from our correspondent in Peking, the President's sanction has been revoked on strong representations having been made by influential Cantonese residents in Peking against any relaxation of the gambling laws. It is a good and healthy sign to see this public interest taken in the welfare of the province. The incident is one which serves to emphasize the need for the resuscitation of the Provincial Councils. Had the Provincial Assembly been in existence public opinion on such a question as this would have been properly ventilated, the high provincial officials would probably have been saved the rebuke they have received, and an overworked President would not have had to stultify himself before the world by revoking an order which he had given a month earlier on an imperfect appreciation of the significance of the precedent he was thereby creating.

China Mail.

Why the War Was a Year Late.

The London *Times* considers that these revelations justify Italy in retiring from the Triple Alliance: "The defence of Italy's position is complete. Signor Salandra has but followed the precedent set by his predecessor and adopted a construction of the Triple Alliance which the other members state to be correct. He and his colleagues considered the clauses of the treaties. They came to the same conclusions as Signor Giolitti and the Marquis di San Giuliano. A scrupulous examination of the letter and spirit of these agreements and the cognisance they had of the origins and the manifest ends of the conflict satisfied them that Italy was under no obligation to take part in the struggle."

There can be no doubt that Germany had been preparing for war with France and Russia and eventually, with England. The Germans, with colossal conceit had deluded themselves that their "Kultur" was what the rest of Europe needed most, and, must get willy nilly.

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GENERAL NEWS

National Relief Fund.

The following subscriptions to the National Relief Fund are acknowledged:—British subjects of every degree, religion, and race in Siam (third contribution), £700; subscribers in Shanghai (per Sir E. Fraser, British Consul-General), further contribution, £130 9s.; the staff of Foreign Stations of the Eastern Telegraph Company, Ltd., £105 0s. 11d.

Mr. Lloyd George's Opponent.

An estate of £407,539 is left by Colonel Henry Platt, C.B., of Gorddinog, Llanfairfechan, Carnarvon, who unsuccessfully contested Carnarvon Boroughs against Mr. Lloyd George. He was a member of the firm of Platt Bros., Oldham, and died on October 13 last.

Minister To Siam.

The name of Mr. Herbert Dering has been recently communicated to the Siamese Government as the prospective British Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Bangkok in the place of Mr. Peel, and the *Siam Observer* is informed that the King has been pleased to signify that the appointment of Mr. Dering is agreeable to His Majesty and to the Government of Siam.

A Second Father Damien.

Sir George Turner, who has died in his 80th year, has been described as a second Father Damien. He was already nearly fifty when he devoted himself to the study of rinderpest in Cape Colony, and his researches were so successful that he stamped out the disease, saving the country millions of pounds, and incidentally superseding Dr. Koch, who had previously been employed on the same work. He also did magnificent work for the health of our troops in the South African War, but it was as a combatant of leprosy that he rendered his most important services to humanity, services which have never met with adequate recognition. He crowned a noble life in the cause of mankind by himself falling a victim to the dread disease.—*Globe.*

Lt. Col. Stack.

Lieut-Colonel Charles Spottiswood Stack, of the 33rd Cavalry, Indian Army, who has been severely wounded during the operations on the Persian Gulf, was born in September, 1868, and when he was 20 became a second-lieutenant in the 6th Dragoon Guards. In the same year he went into the Indian Army. He was in the second Mirzani Expedition in 1891, and in 1900 he served in China, getting the medal.

"The Dying Kaiser."

The London street vendors have discovered yet another topical toy. It is known as the Dying Kaiser (pronounced Kayser), and is a variant of the dying Boer, the dying rooster, and the dying Insurance Baby. The Imperial body is of a bladder-like substance, which is inflated by blowing, and then collapses gently in an appearance of abject misery. Let us hope says the *Globe*, the symbolism is prophetic.

St. George's Day.

His Majesty the King has been pleased to approve of a service being held in the Chapel of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George on Friday, April 23, at 12 noon, in celebration of St. George's Day.

Waterloo and the Germans.

In asserting that it was the Germans who really won Waterloo, Professor van Leyden is only repeating an article of faith among his countrymen. One may perhaps convince the average German that English troops were also present at the battle which brought about Napoleon's final overthow, but nothing is likely to shake his belief that the outcome would have been entirely different if it had not been for Blucher. The city of Hanover possesses a military exercising ground and a memorial known respectively as the Waterloo Place and the Waterloo Column. The memorial was erected and the name given to the ground while Hanover still belonged to the British crown, but for years past it would have been extraordinarily difficult to convince Hanoverians that it was not exclusively a triumph of German arms which the column was erected to commemorate.—*Globe.*

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"We had just done some good work, and demolished with our battery several of the enemy's guns opposite, blowing up their ammunition carts in a firework display. Captain R's gaiety was suddenly cut short by an unexpected reply of telling precision. A shower of shells flying over my head had fallen right at his feet; a huge fragment had struck him to the heart. He cried 'Ah! mon Dieu!' The Adjutant said: 'I am done for.' One of the gunners breathed out his soul in a long sigh, which I can still hear in my ears. All this in much less than a second and in a blinding flash of light. I turned round, convinced that it was our own shells that had burst inside the guns. The three men lay side by side with their hands by their hips as if on parade, but they were stretched full length on their backs with an air of calm and rest on their faces, in which the eyes were still shining, that I shall always see in memory. Other men leaning against the wheels or fallen on their knees held their hands pressed upon the scarlet patches, which an instant before had been their faces, with difficulty holding eyes, nose, or teeth in sobs of awful suffering.

Battle's Actuality.

"Pictures like this are terrible and grandiose, like all the holocausts freely offered to the idea of one's country, which only take visible shape at such instants of tragic beauty. As for me, I had not a scratch; my turn was to come only a little later. The first battalion of my battery went on past the dismantled one and flung themselves into a charge under a veritable overhead vault of shrapnel and shell which the enemy's batteries in front and on the flank built for them. I had no time to think on the little incident which had just saddened this corner of the battlefield and fetched two tears from my eyes. In battle the 'immediate' is what is happening and no longer that which has just happened, but still to-day—a long month afterwards—every line of the picture of R's battery at the moment it was hit stands faithfully in its place before my remembering glance. Again I hear a voice (my own) 'Well, captain?' I was watching through my glasses a spot that I was ordering him to bombard, and surprised at not having yet heard his guns behind me, and another voice (his) a few seconds afterwards 'Ah! mon Dieu!' He was no longer alive. Between the two exclamations death had passed, instantaneous and blessed, since he had not felt it, but quickly as his soul had been taken from him the last great cry of the poor stricken captain shows that he still had the time to give it up to the Master of All Things. This little scene on one tiny point of the immense field lasted as long as a flash only, but other like flashes had preceded and were to follow. Imagine it repeated a hundred times over without much variation along the whole zone where the armies are grappling and will have an approximate vision of the picture of the battle painted by modern warefare.

Invisible Soldiers.

"Do not imagine that the eye sees motley of soldiers advancing in serried ranks against each other until the bayonets cross, according to the traditional idea—of civilians. Your imagination would be completely in the wrong. It requires a very practised eye to see the men during a fight. When finally you have seen a few suddenly starting up like jacks-in-the-box it is never more than for a few seconds, and the vision slips into the ground again as suddenly as it appeared. But if at this moment, instead of keeping the eye fixed on the point where the vision vanished, waiting for it to reappear, you turn it to the right or the left, you will see the same apparition being produced in the same instantaneous conditions. You would almost think that the ground had been sown before-hand with 'eclipse' apparatus, representing a file of human silhouettes at intervals, able slowly to advance either above or under-neath the ground.

"After a long moment of this observation, and when the eye, growing accustomed, begins to perceive details, it remarks here and there on all sides, more or less, little light or dark heaps in relief to the green of the plain or the yellow of the fields. Those remain always visible, and what is more, motionless and in the same position. They are the broken silhouettes; they are the dead; that is all."

To Realise Battle Sounds.

Speaking of the impression on the ear of shell-fire, he says, "I have often thought that the best idea that a non-combatant could get of what is usually called a field of carnage during the battle would be for him to take up a position against a good piano whilst a virtuoso was playing prestissimo some great warlike air, and look at the little wooden and leather hammers jumping up and down inside and striking the sonorous chords. In the meanwhile the rest of the orchestra, armed with big drums and castanets, should in frenzy shake the latter or bang the former. You see how it is simple and lacking in melody. The harmony of battle and its great poetry are not in its music any more than in the spectacle, in reality very little animated, it offers to the eye. They reside entirely to an extremely elevated degree in the notion of total and permanent sacrifice made voluntarily and with sustained joy by each of the combatants."

One other phrase may be quoted. "The familiar hurtling of the shells and thousand little and great noises of the front attack one so quickly and so passionately that when you come to miss them life seems as insipid as an article which has lost its market value."

MASTER AND MEN.

About the Engineer's Strike.

No Government could look on unmoved at such an event as a strike of engineers in the midst of this tremendous conflict, and we most heartily congratulate His Majesty's Ministers on having acted with promptitude and and resolution says a recent issue of the *Globe*. In the Clyde dispute we have no doubt that there is much to be said on both sides, much for the masters, who have their own special difficulties to contend with, and perhaps more for the men, who, naturally, desire as large a share as possible in the profits. But all this cannot excuse, much less justify, a stoppage of work at such a time as this. The very life of the nation depends upon the uninterrupted supply of war material, and those reponsible for it, whether masters or men, are false to themselves, to their class, and to their country, if they permit any private considerations whatsoever to tempt them to cease from manufacturing while they haggle over terms. Let the folk of Clydeside look to it. Men who are offering their lives to save Britain from being made another Belgium, men who have surrendered good positions in civil life to face every terror that war can bring, will not lightly pardon those who, in a fit of temper, would deprive them of the means wherewith to hurl back the savage foe. Never would the nation forget or forgive such treacherous selfishness or exculpate the statesmen who failed to bring the offenders to their senses.

We rejoice that no lack of energy has been displayed by the Government. Here, at any rate, they have shown that they are a Government, and know how to rule. They do not attempt to persuade, they order, and they intend to see that their orders are carried out. Among all employers and workmen engaged in Government work all strikes and lock-outs are to stop at once; full work and full output are to be secured; any stoppage must immediately be referred to a Government tribunal; women are, if necessary, to be employed on shells and fuses; an agreement that high earnings in war work are not to involve a lower scale of pay after the war is to put an end to the haggling over piecework prices; firms are to guarantee that nothing shall prejudice individuals or trade unions when the war is over; and, most important of all, every restrictive trade rule or custom is to be abolished. No one can say that these orders are not inspired by the wish to do impartial justice between masters and men, though the proposal that war wages are to govern peace rates is extreme. But that it should ever have been necessary to take such measures is an indelible stain upon the patriotism of the Clyde. There was nothing else to be done, and we trust to the Government, at any cost of votes or influence, to see that they are strictly carried out.

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DEATH.

LANDEN.—On April 6, 1915, at the Shanghai General Hospital, John Landen of the Chinese Customs Service, aged 60 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 12, 1915.

A HEALTHY SIGN.

It is one of the most encouraging signs of the times that the rising generation among the Chinese community of the Colony, or a considerable portion thereof, is realising the benefits of outdoor sport. Wherever the Britisher goes, he takes his love of sport with him, and, no matter what the climate may be, he will indulge in his favourite pastime. In this way he wards off the tendency in tropical or sub-tropical regions to become lethargic and spiritless—a tendency which, if it is not resisted, is certain to lead to the undermining of health and the encouragement of laziness. The wonder is that here in Hongkong, where they have so long had before them the example of the sport-loving Britisher, the Chinese should have been so slow to learn the lesson. For it is only within the past couple of years or so that they have taken to outdoor sport on organised lines.

It is true that for quite a number of years a small fraction of the native population has been playing football, tennis and other games introduced from the West, but it is only quite recently that the movement has found any general support and that any attempt has been made to consolidate and organise the talent which undoubtedly exists among the young Chinese of the Colony. For this we have to thank the various educational institutions in our midst—the University, the Colleges and the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Those at the head of these organisations have very wisely brought it home to the youths under their charge that mental and physical development should go hand in hand—that one is complementary to the other. And hence to-day we find a healthy spirit of rivalry existing between the sporting organisations associated with the several educational centres of the Colony. What is worth noticing, too, is the prowess which the Chinese are displaying in these outdoor games. There are at present in Hongkong, football, cricket and lawn tennis teams which are more than a match for many a European combination, and the day will not be far distant, we imagine, when Chinese players will be given a place in Interport teams.

All this is most encouraging, for there can be no doubt whatever that the growth of the sporting instinct among the Chinese of the Colony must have distinctly beneficial results. For one thing, it will mean a decided and very necessary improvement in the physique of the rising generation, but, even more important than this, are the effects which it will have in other directions—the spread of what may be termed the sporting spirit in other walks of life, resulting in the development of healthy minds as well as healthy bodies. It is largely due to the spread of this spirit, too, that the better class young Chinese are now beginning to take their part in the public life of the Colony—witness the formation of a Chinese section of the Special Police Reserve. So, looking at the matter from every standpoint, we may well feel gratified that this healthy movement is making such headway in our midst—a movement which deserves all the encouragement which can be given it.

A Notable Anniversary.

Yesterday was the fifty-fourth anniversary of the beginning of the American Civil War, an occurrence about which we Britishers know far less than we ought to know. That we do not know more is attributable to our own insularity of disposition, and our "natural faculty for ignorance" (as George Eliot calls it) where any non-British history is concerned. As regards Britain, the war merely occasioned a cotton famine, with consequent general "hard times," and that was all. Naturally the cause of the North aroused plenty of cheap sympathy from sentimental people at Home who did not in the very least understand the slave problem and who were quite willing to have their opinions hacked out and moulded for them by Mrs. Stowe. Of the real principles involved, however, only the harder-headed of our sires and grandsires seem to have been aware.

Speculation.

It is always interesting to speculate on historical matters. What would have happened, one wonders, had the forces of the South been ultimately the victors? That the result could have been an entirely bad one we find it difficult to believe. The Americans should know their own business best, but we suppose, even among the most ardent protagonists of the North, one could find people willing to admit that the determination to foist suddenly upon society several thousands of persons who had never known what it was to be independent or to exercise self-reliance—and to give them votes!—was a dangerous experiment. We do not know, other than from hearsay, what is the lot of the average workman or workwoman in the large American towns to-day; but, speaking for our own country, there are (or were, prior to the war) very many thousands of unfortunate people whose lot has been infinitely harder than that of the plantation negroes in America sixty years ago. In England the people who are most opposed to coloured slavery are generally those who are hardest on their own sweated employees. We wonder if things are at all like this in America.

The Police and Street Noises.

Returning to the above question for a moment we hear indirectly that one official has stated that the Kowloon hawkers cannot be proceeded against by the police "because there is no legal provision therefor." Can this be true? *If* it be true—one feels impelled to underline the "if"—what is the Government going to do about it? Are property-owners to build houses, and tenants to rent them, without any hope of such police protection as will prevent depreciation in the value of those houses? Certain areas in Kowloon are understood to be for European occupation. Then are the Europeans who fain would live there to be driven out of the quarter by the howls of Chinese hawkers, without the Government's holding out a hand to help them? It seems impossible that this can be the case: Will someone shed a little light on this remarkable position?

"Turned down."

We almost weep when we hear of the Kaiser's sympathy with poor, downtrodden Ireland. So great is this sympathy that his minions offered some Irish prisoners of war a separate camp, where they would doubtless be entitled to more frequent changes of straw and a greater immunity from kicks and expectoration than that vouchsafed to more culpable English (and Scots?) prisoners. The Irish do not appear to have appreciated this imperial sympathy; indeed they "turned it down" and indignantly refused the offer. The Germans have been making the same old mistake that many English people have constantly fallen into: taking the Irish for fools. Where *are* these fool Irishmen? We have met them on the stage and in books; but in real life they have a little habit of being, as often as not, as shrewd and as far-seeing as their English neighbours. The Kaiser may be a good hand at being all things to all men, but he must not think that the same individual who can be "Hadji William" to the Turks is going to be "The Rev. Father William" to the Irish. There will be nothing doing.

DAY BY DAY.

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The Weather.

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Count the Columns.

On Saturday, the *Telegraph* published 40 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 34 published.

The Mails.

Siberian and American Mails.—Closes per s.s. Tenyo Maru to-morrow at 11 a.m.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 9.13-16d.

To-day's Anniversary.

To-day is the thirty-seventh anniversary of the death of the celebrated missionary Bishop, Dr. Selwyn.

Chinese Fight.

As the result of a fight between Chinese on the Aberdeen road, yesterday, in which the weapons were bamboos, a Chinese has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital.

Fish-Poisoning.

Through eating some poisonous fresh-water fish, five Chinese have been sent to the Government Civil Hospital. They are at present too ill to make any statement as to where they purchased the fish.

Caught in the Act.

Six weeks' hard labour was the sentence passed in the case of a Chinese who was charged with attempting to enter a house for an unlawful purpose. The defendant was seen climbing a rainspout by a European constable, and was captured.

Interport Rifle Match.

In view of the recent events in Singapore, and the consequent uncertainty of their being able to carry out any arrangements they might make for the match, it has been mutually agreed by all Ports concerned that the match will not take place this year.

Fell off the Ferry.

An Indian soldier named Hapoora Singh fell off the Star Ferry last evening. He was rescued by the engineer of the Hongkong Hotel launch and a deck hand on the ferry. Had it not been for the assistance of these men, the Indian would have drowned.

Hongkong Horticultural Society.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Horticultural Society is to to be held at the City Hall at 5.15 p.m., on Monday, 19th April. The business is to pass the accounts and report for the past year and to elect a Committee and officers for the coming year.

Whist Drive.

A most successful whist drive was held in the pavilion of the Wigwam Lawn Tennis Club on Saturday night, when there was a good attendance of members and their friends. The ladies' prize went to Mrs. Stone, and the gents' to Mr. A. G. Hewlitt, while Miss Norah Stone won the "booby" prize. The prizes were subsequently presented by Mr. G. W. Sewell, who also handed to Mrs. Hicks the prize for the lady's championship in connection with the recent tennis tournament, which was kindly given by Mr. L. le Breton. On May 8, there will be a bridge drive at the Club's pavilion.

Victoria Theatre.

Crowds of people have been attending the Victoria Theatre during the last week, largely on account of the exceptionally interesting picture, screened for the first time in Hongkong—"What happened to Mary." The first series will be repeated at the matinee on Wednesday next to afford an opportunity to those who missed seeing it before and to enable them to follow the second series, which is now being screened, and will also be repeated on Saturday next at the matinee. The "Sherlock Holmes" detective story picture in 25 parts, divided into 5 series, will shortly be shown. As the stories are well known and popular, no doubt the attendance will be still greater. Special interest also attaches to the series "The Ocean Battlefield."

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

A GREAT FRENCH VICTORY.

Germany Realising the Bitter Truth.

Scarcely a telegram comes to hand now dealing with the fighting in France which does not back up the view that we have entered upon the third, and possibly the last, stage of the war. The period of mere local successes seems to have come to an end, and the broad sweeping movement appears to have at length begun. It is no longer a case of desperate fighting for the possession of farmhouses or ferrymen's quarters, and there is likely to be less of the subterranean warfare which has for so long marked the operations in the west. With the better weather conditions which have now set in, the rival armies may be expected to meet in more open combat, though it is certain that the Germans will endeavour to cling to their trenches until the spirited offensive of the Allies makes retreat inevitable.

Of Strategical Significance.

There can be no doubt that the French success at Eparges is one of the severest blows which the enemy has received since the great retreat following the unsuccessful drive towards Paris. As a result of it, the whole plain of the Woevre is now completely in French hands, and though the enemy had resisted the attacks with the very flower of his Army, and the defenders were ordered to hold on at all costs, there was no staying the onrush of the attackers, who have, to use the words of the official communique, attained one of the principal objectives of the recent operations. The French advance in this region is not only important from the fact that it has meant the infliction of very heavy losses on the Germans—it has a strategical significance which cannot be over-rated, threatening, as it does, the enemy's position at St. Mihiel, which is fed by a light railway from Metz. And it seems as if it must lead to one of two results—either a hurried German retreat over the frontier (if the enemy can effect it) or a cutting off of a very big force of the Kaiser's legions. It is a great stroke which has been brought off, and we confidently predict that it is one of many which the immediate future has in store for us.

Signs of the Times.

Facts continue to leak out which show that Germany herself knows that she is coming to the end of her tether. One of these is revealed in the Note to the United States, which, since it virtually accuses America of failing to conform to the spirit of neutrality, is certainly in bad taste. It complains that America has accomplished nothing by the diplomatic correspondence with the Allies regarding the right to ship foodstuffs to the civilian (!) people of belligerent Powers. In other words, Germany acknowledges that the measures taken by Britain are proving something more than merely inconvenient, and, in the hour when she is beginning to feel the pinch, she practically implores the United States to come to her help. One other point may be mentioned to show the change of spirit which is coming over the nation. That is the protest against the continuation of the war which has been made by the German Socialists. These latter are now talking about peace. But they are, unfortunately for their own people, a little ahead of the times. There has to be a lot of humble pie ate yet before there can be any question of the cessation of hostilities.

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"	5	"	273
"	6	"	256
"	7	"	238
"	8	"	244
"	9	"	269
"	10	"	273
"	11	"	270
Total to 11th inst.			2,791
Daily average			233.7

HONGKONG COINAGE.

Subsidiary Coin and the Money Changers.

(SPECIAL ARTICLE.)

It was announced, some months ago, that the Governor-in-Council had made certain new regulations in connection with our local money-changers. The premises occupied by these persons are to have no communication with those of any other business; the changers must confine their energies strictly to their own places of business, and the annual cost of their licences is to be $50 instead of, as heretofore, $10.

Hongkong people will certainly welcome any legislation (when it comes) which makes for controlling the money-changing fraternity; but the regulations outlined above seem to us to touch little more than the bare hem of the public's grievance. Of course it may be that the new rules will be but a foretaste of good things to come; but so many of us have long ago grown tired of waiting for those good things that we may be pardoned for feeling either impatient or pessimistic.

On the face of it, it would seem that if the local Government can control the money-changers operations in one direction, they can do so in another. That being so, why not a uniform rate of discount (if discount there must be)? Why is one money-changer allowed to give two—and sometimes five—cents more or less than another? Even within the last few weeks, one resident has received seventy-five cents discount on a five-dollar bill, while another, at the next shop, has simultaneously received five cents less.

One would think, too, that the Government could force the money-changer to place in a conspicuous spot some card or board on which is written the day's rate of exchange. This latter is the unfailing rule in the Kling money-changers' shops in Singapore, and if it be thought necessary there, where the dollar is fixed and where the changer's business only concerns non-Straits money, it is surely even more of a necessity here, with the price of local money varying from day to day.

The next question is: Does anyone in Hongkong, save the changers themselves, know how the value of the dollar in subsidiary coin is determined? Common report has it that these individuals meet, conspirator-like, by night and, after long debate and subtle argument, settle among themselves, without reference to the Government exactly how much ten ten-cent pieces, stamped with King George's effigy shall be worth on the following day! Another, and perhaps more likely story is that the rate of discount is a purely arbitrary one—fixed not by guilds but by individuals, and that any money-changer is at liberty to quote his own price, just as any bank can fix its demand rate on London as it chooses. If there be any controlling influence in the matter, this influence would appear to be that of competition; there is a margin of profit on every note cashed, and the man who has the most notes brought to him is the man who can afford to give the most liberal discount.

And now as to the question of value, where the subsidiary coin is concerned. We have alluded before to the absurdity of our money system; we have pointed out that Hongkong's methods in this respect are a foolishness and a laughing-stock to every tourist who has ever sojourned in the Colony. This may well be so, for the man must be born without any sense of humour who cannot see the absurdity of being able to go to a local Chinese department store, where any quatity of subsidiary money is taken, buying a fifty cent article, tendering a ten-dollar bill—and receiving ten dollars and ninety cents change. The thing is more than farcical.

But the majority of Hongkong shops very strongly object to this class of transaction and, as far as is possible and legal, they avoid taking the subsidiary money at all. And for the best of reasons. For when the shopkeeper goes to the bank with his hundred dollars' worth of subsidiary he is not (as would be the case anywhere else in the world) going to bank a hundred dollars, but—to quote to-day's rate—a hundred dollars less twelve dollars and ten cents; and within recent months, less as much as nineteen dollars! It is useless for him to blame the banks, for they will defend themselves by pointing out that they also will have to dispose of the subsidiary to the Treasury at a discount.

"But why the discount?" feebly asks the stranger to Hongkong. For the all too obvious reason that Hongkong has a great deal more small silver than it knows what to do with.

"Then why not reduce the amount in circulation as quickly as possible?" is our stranger's next mild enquiry; and it is one which the Government would do well to reply to—if it can.

Had things been handled in a more practical manner, the Government could long ago have redeemed an enormous percentage of this superfluity. Somewhere about forty million dollars' worth of subsidiary has gradually been issued, and this—at the very mildest and most generous computation—is seven times the amount needed by a population of about four hundred thousand. The twenty per cent profit which was made by issuing this enormous amount seems to have been regarded by our Government as an ordinary asset, instead of being left in the bank as a reserve fund which would have been drawing quite a respectable interest. In issuing so huge a sum in small money, the authorities were, it would seem, calculating that, on an average, every man, woman and child in this Colony needed for ordinary requirements, no less than a hundred dollars in small money. Against this we urge that fifteen dollars per individual would be considerably more than enough.

Plainly the Government's only way out of the difficulty into which it has gradually plunged the business men and householders of the Colony, is to set to work to redeem steadily, at the rate of somewhere about two million dollars a year. But will it do this? Only a little more than two years ago it left it to the Tramways Company to establish the integrity of British coinage in a British colony—at a very great expense which the Government had subsequently, and rightly, to meet. Will the authorities show themselves possessed of the requisite moral courage to stand up against the petty interests of those who profit by the subsidiary system?

OBITUARY.

Police Sergeant Adlington.

We regret to record the death of Sergeant Adlington, of the Hongkong Police, which occurred this morning at the Government Civil Hospital, where the deceased had been admitted on Saturday, suffering from fever.

The deceased officer joined the force in March, 1900, was made a lance-sergeant in 1902 and a full sergeant in June, 1907.

For eighteen months he was stationed at West Point with Inspector Dymond, where he became ill and was admitted to hospital. Subsequently, on his own application, he was transferred to the Central Police Station, where he remained for three months. Two months ago he was transferred to Shaukiwan.

He was a native of Dartford, Kent, the son of Mr. Thomas Adlington, of Great Queen's Street.

The funeral takes place this evening, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.15 o'clock.

New Rear-Admiral.

Consequent upon the promotion of Vice-Admiral (Acting Admiral) Sir John Jellicoe to be Admiral of H.M. Fleet, as from March 5, the following promotions from the same date are notified in the *London Gazette*:—Rear-Admiral Herbert Goodenough King-Hall, D.S.O., to be Vice-Admiral. Capt. Osmond de Beauvoir Brock to be Rear-Admiral.

JOTTINGS BY THE WAY.

"Stolen by auction," said an Indian witness at the Police Court on Friday. There's many a true word spoken in the witness box, no matter what the world may say.

Reuter told us yesterday that the news of the French landing in Egypt came upon the Germans "like a bolt from the blue,"—an expression so entirely and startlingly novel that we think of collaring it and patenting it as our own, before anyone else can get hold of it.

"Bismarck taught us to fear God, to feel wrath against our enemies and to believe in our nation," said the German Chancellor during the Bismarck festivites in Berlin. The second and third precepts have been most scrupulously obeyed but, in the case of the first, it would appear that all the Prussian fear has diverted itself towards British warships and French and Russian bullets, with the result that the Deity has had to go short.

Our educated compositor has done nothing special this week beyond doctoring a remark of ours on a speech by a certain exalted personage. We wrote "His remarks are worth noting;" he thought to improve on the observation by putting in an H after the T in "noting". We sometimes wish that youth would be a little less brutally truthful.

The chance is still open to some of our local punsters to point out that now is the time to talk about the Houses of (Mis) Hapsburg.

The *Deutsche Tageszeitung* warns its readers that collars and shirts will have to be worn limp, as there is now necessarily a shortage of starch in Berlin. There are one or two people (whom Hongkong could spare) who, so far as superabundance of the commodity in question is concerned, would be a godsend to Berlin. Why don't they go there, if only to see what it feels like to be of *some* little use in the world.

We wonder who it was that first told the aristocracy of Hongkong that it is most plebeian—"downright vulgar," ever—to enter the Theatre Royal till at least five minutes after the rise of the curtain.

"There is no more honourable profession than that of a policeman" said H. E. on Thursday. From lengthy observation of the Hongkong lukong we had already arrived at that conclusion.

Three hundred thousand Bibles have been sent by the British and Foreign Bible Society to Germany. Quite right; it was very nearly time the poor Chinese had a rest from this sort of thing. Let the Germans have their share of it. Their backs are broader and their sins greater.

Says a Northern paper: "Sham opium is being made from pigskin and, so cleverly done that only in the smoking is the fraud discovered." That is something like a severe test—both of the "dope" and also of the strength of the smoker's stomach.

Since the Bishop of Victoria so kindly went out of his way to prove that only thirty-six cents per diem is spent on drink by each Club member, there has been a rare fluttering among the women-folk, who had always believed hitherto that "that Club is such an expensive place."

SPECIAL POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Parades.—(Central Police Station 5.30 p.m.):—To-day, April, 12th, 1st Portuguese Company. The April 10th musketry platoon will drill with arms. Tuesday, April 13th, 1st Indian Company. Wednesday, April 14th, 1st British Company and Nos. 1 and 2 Platoons of 1st Chinese Company. All with arms.

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WAR TELEGRAMS.

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French Confirmation of Recent Wires.

(*Havas Telegram.*)

April 9.

Yesterday we progressed along the whole front, inflicting everywhere enormous losses on the Germans. Since April 4, we have gained, between the Meuse and Woevre, a very considerable front. To-day we accentuated our success on the same front.

Petrograd:—In the Carpathians we continued the offensive in the direction of Onjok, occupying all the summits of the principal chain of Mount Deskib and the spurs of the southern slopes. On April 5 we took 2,900 prisoners, three guns and numerous machine guns. In the Caucasus we drove back the Turks between Ouly and Artvine.

President Wilson sent a telegram of congratulations to King Albert on his birthday.

British Casualties.

April 9, 5.20 p.m.

To-night's Casualty Lists contain 1,013 names, of which 344 are entered under "killed." They exist chiefly among the Suffolks, Cornwalls, Manchesters, Irish Fusiliers, London Regiment, Leicestershire, Sherwoods, and the Rifle Brigade.

British Tug v. German Submarine.

April 9, 5.40 a.m.

The South Shields tug Homer has had a gallant encounter with a submarine off the Isle of Wight.

She was towing a French barque laden with grain when the submarine appeared and ordered the tug to abandon the barque, firing a warning shot. The master of the Homer Captain Gibsote, waited until the submarine was abeam before he cast off the hawser, and then attempted to ram her, but, owing to the roughness of the sea, missed by three feet. The submarine then attacked the Homer, firing a hail of shots, which damaged the woodwork, and discharging a torpedo, which missed its mark.

After another ten minutes the submarine abandoned the pursuit of the barque, and, when last seen, was enveloped in a cloud of smoke.

France and "Anti-Alcohol."

April 10, 2.15 a.m.

France is vigorously following the example of the other Allies in the anti-alcohol war. Spirits are unknown at the front, and the officers and medical men unanimously testify to the excellent physical moral results of this.

The Government has granted the prefects discretionary powers to withdraw the allowances of soldiers' wives who are found to be frequenting drink-shops.

French Appreciation of Russians.

April 10, 2.15 a.m.

The official French review of the Russian operations emphasises the great value of the Russian efforts and success. It points out that, from the outset, the Russians have loyally fulfilled their undertakings towards their Allies by holding the largest possible forces of Germans on the eastern front and forcing them to go to the assistance of the sorely pressed Austrians. The unceasing activity of the Russians has compelled the German staff several times to withdraw troops from the western front, though unavailingly, and has finally led to the collapse of the German plans to capture Warsaw, where the Kaiser was to proclaim Polish autonomy under a German hegemony.

The review sums up by saying that the balance of the operations is incontestibly in favour of the Russians, who have constantly foiled General von Hindenburg and shattered the German power of advance for a long time to come. The Russians have not withdrawn a single man from the main front in order to face the Turks, the Russians in the Caucasus being mostly second-line men.

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"THE SUPERMAN AND THE CHRIST."

Interesting Sermon at the Union Church.

At the Union Church, on Sunday morning, the Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie gave the first of several sermons under the above general title, to be delivered on successive Sundays. The text was from 1, John 3-1:—"Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God." Reference was also given to Gen. 3-4: "Ye shall be as gods." Christianity, said the preacher, points forward to ideas which are placed in primeval times by the dim traditions of the race. "There were giants in the earth in those days, mighty men which were of old, men of renown," runs the Hebrew Scripture, and the "heroes" of classic tradition were children of the Gods. It is natural to idealise that which has passed out of reach, and certainly easier to see the heroic in past perspective than to discern it close at hand. But there is no real ground for supposing that in the ages called heroic there was greater heroism than in the later times, or that the human race was superior, physically or otherwise, to its standard of to-day. Instead of looking backward to a twilight of the gods of Olympus or Valhalla, when dim personalities more than mortal lived and acted on this earth, we look onward to the attainment of true childhood toward the God or Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, that progressive likeness in character which the New Testament speaks of as a transformation from glory unto glory. The aspiration to rise out of itself is characteristic of human nature. Man is the only creature with enough mind to be conscious of his limitations, and to have any ambition to overpass them. Everything depends upon the direction which the ambition takes, and when it looks toward Christ-likeness in character, life and destiny, it follows the ideal which has always held the heart of the saints, and which is everywhere conventionally accepted as the common aim of Christians. But great ideals cannot be retained as mere conventions, and this one has to maintain itself against a deadweight of secret distrust and dislike, manifested in practical neglect. Now and then some venturesome apostle of selfishness proclaims as a creed principles which had secretly lurked in the hearts of many. Some voice arises to protest openly against the principles of mortality, and in particular Christian morality, which are said to have been devised by the weak and cowardly in order to keep the able and superior out of their due. Life, it is said, is not for man, but for the superman. Egomania is exalted into a religion, and thus is presented to us what the late Professor Cramb, in his book, "England and Germany," called the most significant spritual phenomenon of the 20th century. That is the conflict between the ideals represented by Napoleon Bonaparte and by Jesus Christ, the Professor's own conclusion being summed up in his famous epigram: "Corsica has conquered Galilee." The Professor has passed to the other world, and possibly sees history thence in a different perspective, in the light of the outbreak of the nation of supermen whose creed he admired, and whose ethics he declared to be "the faith of young Germany in 1913," and held up for the imitation of young Britain. That such ideas have been popular amongst prominent and influential classes in Germany is, apparently, but too certain. Christianity has been poohpoohed as the religion of weaklings. Its ideals of altruism and humility are not, it is held, for powerful and coming nations. Too long have the swift and strong been kept out of their own by timorous scruples about truth justice and consideration for the weak. The way to make the most of oneself is to give play to our impulses of self-assertion, unfettered by any sense of sin, which is an invention of priests and grandmothers. In this way life will become rich and full, and that it should be rich and full for oneself is its proper object. All this, of course, is Nietszche's "Yea-saying nature." The national application of the principles involved has been published broadcast in books and articles informing mankind that a certain great nation was dissatisfied with its position in the world as incommensurate with its power and desserts, and that it proposed before long to take what it desired from whomever might be in possession. Perhaps we have been blameable, but it is our British way to take such talk as irresponsible vapouring; indeed it is not easy to take people seriously when they go about proclaiming themselves to be greater, wiser, cleverer, better than the rest of mankind, and destined to lead and dominate. But at any rate the superman, speaking nationally, turns out for practical purposes to be the Prussian drill-sergeant, and the astounding pretensions made in his name resolve themselves into nothing more than a super-organised foray upon his neighbours, differing in nothing but cold-bloodedness from the buccaneering expeditions of the Middle Ages, when the lawless baron was the superman of his day, against whom no one had rights save such as could be maintained by the sword. But for our individual lives it is tragic when the cares of youth are seduced by specious talk about "Yea-saying to nature," seeking self-development by getting rid of moral restraints. Taken out of pseudophilosophical jargon, it means the unchaining of the beast, giving place to the devil. The plea of every rake and rascal for his evil life is that he follows the impulses of his nature. It has been so always, but the turning of it into a philosophy of superhumanity and self-development is a later invention, and nothing more impudent and pretentious has ever issued from whatever infernal source does originate the deceptions which mislead the souls of men. The superman in individual life turns out to be the selfish egoist, meaner than the meanest of the "common herd" whom he despises. The snare is as old as Eden: "Ye shall be as gods" says the tempter, "if you but pluck up courage to overstep the restrictions by which you are wrongfully hemmed in." Against that stands the offer not of arrogant power but of winsome love, "That we should be called children of God."

TELEGRAMS.

A GREAT FIRE

DOCK BLAZE AT LIVERPOOL.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London. Received April 12.

Damage to the extent of a quarter of a million sterling has been done by a fire at the Stanley Dock warehouse, Liverpool—the Empire's largest tobacco store.

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MAIL SCHEDULE

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Steamer.	Arrive Hongkong from Australia.	Leave Hongkong for Australia.
Empire		20th Apr. at 11 a.m.
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Steamships.	Captain		Leaving.
Haiyang ...	A. E. Hodgins...	TUES.,	13th Apr. at 1 p.m.
Haitan	J. W. Evans ...	FRI.,	16th Apr. at 1 p.m.

FOR AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

Haimun.....	A. H. Stewart...	SUN.,	11th Apr. at d'light.

FOR SWATOW.

Haiching ...	W. C. Passmore.	WED.,	14th Apr. at 1 p.m.
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A Tribute to the Merchant Service.

At the request of Mr. J. G. Butcher, K.C., M.P., of their Parliamentary Committee, Lord Charles Beresford has forwarded to the Imperial Merchant Service Guild with his compliments a copy of the following extract from a speech made by his Lordship at the United Club:—"Lord Charles Beresford, referring to the part that the Navy had taken during the war, remarked that it was impossible to speak of the Fleet without referring to the bravery, skill, and indomitable energy of the Officers and men of the Mercantile Marine, or, as Lord Charles styled them, "our brothers of the sea." He said that owing to shortage of cruisers, small craft, and destroyers at the commencement of the war, the Admiralty had commandeered for the Service about 2,500 vessels; many of these were doing cruiser and patrol work, carrying out their duties in that loyal and energetic manner characteristic of the officers and men of the Mercantile Marine. A large proportion of these vessels were trawlers and drifters occupied in duty of the most dangerous description, namely, creeping and sweeping for mines. Their success has been splendid; although they had lost a number of vessels and men, there was no cessation of their gallant activities. The officers and men of the Mercantile Marine had added to their splendid traditions as seamen, and the engine-room departments had, by their indomitable pluck and readiness of resource enabled the seamen to carry out their duties. The good comradeship between the Royal Navy and the Mercantile Marine has been exemplified in hundreds of cases during the terrible crisis we are going through."

Notice to Marines.

Shanghai District.—Taungming Crossing.—Notice is given that the following changes in the buoyage of Taungming Crossing have been made. The East Entrance Buoy is now moored in 44 at Low Water Spring Tides. From the buoy the Dumb Beacon bears N. 86.1/2 deg E., distant 1.7 miles. It should be noted that the position of this buoy is materially different from that named in Special Notice to Mariners No. 439. The First Crossing Buoy is now moored in 13 feet at Low Water of Spring Tides. From the buoy the Dumb Beacon bears N. 71.1/2 E., distant 3.3 miles. The Second Crossing Buoy is now moored in 20 feet at Low Water of Spring Tides. From the buoy the Dumb Beacon bears N. 71 deg E, distant 4.9 miles. The accompanying plan shows the conditions existing on the 20th March, 1915. (See this Notice to Mariners as issued in sheet form.) All bearings are magnetic.

Pacific Mail.

According to Shipping and Engineering, there is no truth in the report that the Pacific Mail Steamship Company has issued an order discontinuing its overseas service to Hawaii, Japan, China and the Philippines owing to the passage of the La Follette Seaman's Bill.

Clyde Business.

A few vessels in course of construction on the Clyde have changed hands recently at prices which indicate the high value placed on tonnage likely to be available while the present trade conditions continue. Nearly all the tonnage which was being built on speculation, and also that on hand originally for firms in enemy countries, has now it is understood, been disposed of.

Japanese Steamer Strikes a Reef.

While entering the port of Chemulpo on March 15 the Japanese steamer Kiho Maru struck a reef near the mouth of the harbour three miles south-east of Gatsubito Island and sustained serious damage to her bow. The vessel, which was loaded with sleepers, was refloated in a waterlogged condition but made port safely, where temporary repairs were carried out.—*Shipping and Engineering.*

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HAIPHONG.....	Loksang	Thur.,	15th Apr. at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Yuensang*	Sat.,	17th Apr. at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN via W'wei.....	Cheongshing*	Sun.,	18th Apr. at d'light
MOJI, Kobe & Yokohama	Laisang*	Tues.,	20th Apr. at d'light
MANILA	Loongsang*	Sat.,	24th Apr. at 3 p.m.

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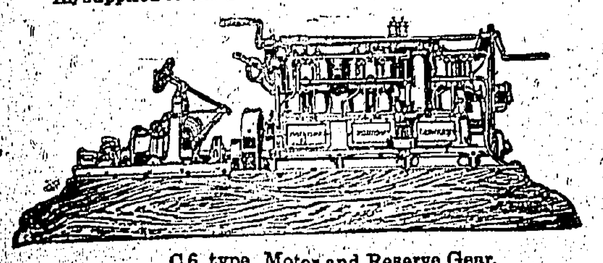

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London via Usual Ports of Call	Malta	P. & O.	23, Apr.
L'don, via S'pore, P'ang. C'bo, &c.	Nore	P. & O.	28, Apr.
Marseilles, London & Liverpool	Kalomo	B. L. L.	10, May

NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

San F'cisco via S'hai & Japan etc.	Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	13, Apr.
New York via Suez Canal	Indradeo	S. T. Co.	25, Apr.
San F'cisco via M'la & Japan &c.	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	27, Apr.
New York via Panama Canal	B. Castle	D. & Co.	E. of A.
Vancouver via S'hai & Japan etc.	Monteagle	C. P. R.	1, May
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Mongolia	P. M. Co.	4, May
Mexican, Peruvian and Chile Ports via Japan	Seiyo M.	T. K. K.	11, May
New York via Suez	Inveric	B. L. L.	14, May
San F'co via Manila & Japan &c.	Persia	P. M. Co.	18, May

AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	16, Apr.
Australian Ports	Empire	G. L. Co.	20, Apr.

SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

S'pore, P'ang, R'goon & Calcutta	Hakata M.	N. Y. K.	17, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Cordillere	M. M.	19, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Nera	M. M.	19, Apr.
Singapore, Penang & Calcutta	Itola	D. S. Co.	20, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	20, Apr.
Shanghai	Sardinia	P. & O.	22, Apr.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Nagoya	P. & O.	3, May
Singapore, Mauritius & South African Ports	Salamis	B. L. L.	15, June
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Shanghai	Tjitaroem	J.C.J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tjikembang	J.C.J. L.	Q. desp.
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The C. P. R. s.s. MONTEAGLE left Vancouver on the 28th March, a.m.

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The P. M. ss. KOREA arrived at San Francisco on 5th inst.

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The T.K.K. s.s. SHINYO MARU will next leave Hongkong for San Francisco, via usual ports, on Tuesday 11th May, at noon.

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The Australian Oriental Line s.s. TAIYUAN left Sydney for Hongkong via Australian and Philippine Ports on 25th ult. and may be expected to arrive on or about 19th April.

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The S.L. s.s. MERIONETHSHIRE from London is due at Hongkong on the 30th May and leaves for Japan on the 1st June.

The Bank Line s.s. INVERIC from New York has arrived at Manila and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

The s.s. ITOLA from Shanghai Yokohama and Kobe left Moji on the 9th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst., a.m.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Tenyo Maru, Jap., s.s., 7,268, S. Tozo, 2nd inst.—San Francisco, 6th ult. Gen.—T. K. K.

Hanggang, Br., s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 3rd inst.—Saigon, 30th ult. Rice.—J. M & Co.

Yeddo, Swedish s.s., 2,503, J. M. Ranstrom, 6th inst.—Singapore, 31st ulto. Gen.—S. T. Co.

Luchow, Br., s.s., 1,221, Davies, 7th inst.—Canton, Gen.—B. & S.

Chengtu, Br., s.s., 1,338, Speed, 7th inst.—Bangkok, Rice.—B. & S.

Kwanglee, Chi., s.s., 1,468, McArthur, 7th inst.—Canton Gen.—O M S.

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Chipshing, Br., s.s., 1,199, T. M. Meyrick 7th inst.—Tientsin, 31st ult. Gen. J. M. & Co.

Tjikembang, Dut., s.s., 5,023, Jurrianse, 8th inst.—Sourabaya, 2nd inst. Gen.—J. C. J. L.

American, Fr., s.s., 518 Balesoni, 9th inst. —K. C. Wan, Gen.—Chinese.

Fooksang, Br., s.s., 1,978, T. A. Mitchell 9th inst. — Singapore, 3rd inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Phempeah, Br., s.s., 1,695, C. W. Bird, 9th inst.—Saigon, 4th inst. Rice.—Chinese.

Miamui Maru, Jap., s.s., 1,069, T. Tsutsui, 9th inst.—Saigon, 4th inst. Rice. —Chinese.

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1915.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

FIRST EXTRA

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 12, 1915.

COMPANY MEETING.

The Hongkong Ice Company Limited.

(VERBATIM).

The meeting of the shareholders of the Hongkong Ice Company, Limited, was held at noon to-day, at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company (General Managers), the Hon. Mr. D. Landale presiding. Others present were:—Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C. M. G., Rev. Pere Robert (Consulting Committee), Messrs. C. C. F. Cunningham, A. Rodger, L. N. Leefe, Ho Fook, Lo Cheung-shiu, H. S. Hills, C. C. Boyd, R. E. Macdougall, Choa Po-sien, A. V. Apcar, G. K. Haxton, C. Woodhead (shareholders,) and B. D. F. Beith (Secretary).

The Chairman:—As it is past the time for which this meeting has been called, and there is a quorum present, I will ask the Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting.

The Secretary having read the notice,

The Chairman said:—

Gentlemen,—The report and accounts, with the auditors' report, having been in your hands for some time, I will, with your permission, take them as read. Since our last annual general meeting, on April 6th, 1914, an extraordinary general meeting of the Company was held on June 4th, for the purpose of passing certain resolutions to enable us to take over the Oriental Ice Syndicate and to admit of increasing our share capital for that purpose. All the resolutions were unanimously passed and confirmed at a later meeting held on June 23rd.

The result of the amalgamation, as you will note from the report, has been that our income from sales of ice and cold storage charges for the year, amounts to $60,954.71, asagainst $39,020.24 in 1913. The total quantity of ice sold was 10,264 tons, or an increase of 3,648 tons over the preceding year, which I hope, gentlemen, you will consider satisfactory—having regard to the very much smaller number of foreign vessels now calling here, and also to the reduced European population in the Colony.

With two producing factories, it has been found more convenient to have our receiving depot on the water-front, where the output from both works can be handled more economically than from the old depot in Ice House Road. The ice from Lai-chi-kok is brought over by launch, specially constructed for that purpose, and from East Point by lighters, which is a more practical method than coolie traction. The ice is loaded direct into lighters by means of a chute connected with the ice boxes, thus saving considerable coolie labour. Possibly during the typhoon season there may be occasions when it will be found necessary to resort to the old method of conveying the ice to the depot, and, for this reason we are retaining the two Thornycroft steam wagons, which have served a good purpose in the past.

During the winter months all the machinery at both works has been thoroughly overhauled and brought up to date, and your Manager reports it to be in first-class order.

An additional ice tank is at present being erected at the Lai chi-kok works and is nearing completion. When this is in full working order, the daily output of the works can be increased by about 20 tons a day with very little extra cost, thus enabling us to use the old plant to its full advantage. Our Company should now be in a position to meet any demands that are likely to be made upon it for some time to come.

A new wharf has been erected at Lai-chi-kok, as the old one was found unsuitable for our purpose.

The Ice House Road property is all leased—with the exception of one godown on the ground flour—until March next year.

Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, if shareholders have any questions to ask I shall be pleased to answer them to the best of my ability.

There being no questions, I beg to propose that the report and accounts be adopted.

Mr. Leefe:—I have much pleasure in seconding that resolution.

The Chairman:—Proposed by myself and seconded by Mr. Leefe that the report and accounts be adopted. Those in favour please signify in the usual way? Against? Carried unanimously. The next business is the re-election of the Consulting Committee.

Mr. Ho Fook:—I have much pleasure in proposing Sir Paul Chater and Rev. Pere Robert as members of the Consulting Committee.

Mr. Cunningham:—I beg to second that.

The Chairman:—The election of Sir Paul Chater and Rev. Pere Robert as members of the Consulting Committee has been proposed by Mr. Ho Fook and seconded by Mr. Cunningham. Those in favour please signify in the usual way? Against? Carried unanimously. The next business is the election of auditors.

Mr. Rodger:—I beg to propose the election of Messrs. A. R. Lowe and E. A. M. Williams as auditors at the remuneration of $200.

Mr. Lo Cheung-shui:—I have much pleasure in seconding that.

The Chairman:—It is proposed that Mr. A. R. Lowe and Mr. E. A. M. Williams be elected as auditors for the ensuing year—proposed by Mr. Rodger and seconded by Mr. Lo Cheung-shui. Those in favour please signify in the usual way?

Against?—Carried unanimously. That is all the business, gentlemen. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready on application to-morrow.

"ONION-EYED STUFFED PUDDINGS."

An American's View of his Country's Admiralty.

Washington, March 3.

Among the last remarks that Mr. Root, of New York, made as a member of the Senate, will probably be remembered his biting reference to-day to the abolition of the plucking board in the Navy Department, to the abolition of the Taylor system in the Navy workshops, and to the President's advocacy of the ship-purchase bill that failed of enactment (writes the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Public Ledger*.) Mr. Root did not make a formal address, but just before the conference report on the naval appropriation bill was adopted he spoke for a moment.

"Mr. President," he said, "if there ever was an example of a failure on the part of a legislative body to do its full duty to the country it represents, you find it here in what is being done in this naval bill by cutting out the system of elimination and substituting nothing for it, leaving a lot of men in command whom a former President of the United States once described to me as a lot of wheezy, onion-eyed, old, stuffed puddings.

"If we were to do here what we ought to do—it is too late to do it—it is too late to do our duty. We have been kept here day and night discussing and wearing out the strength of every one over an ill-considered, ill-conceived, half-baked, foolish attempt to put the Government into the shipping business, and we are neglecting our plain duty as legislators."

LOCAL SPORT.

(*Continued from page 10.*)

100 Yards Small Boys' Race Handicap. For boys 10 years and under.—1st, A. Rahmin; 2nd, L. Ribeiro.

120 Yards Flat Race Handicap. Open to members of St. Joseph's College Association.—1st, J. Braga; 2nd, F. L. Siliva.

Team Race, 220 Yards, open to teams of 8 from all schools.—1st, Queen's College Team.

50 Yards Sack Race (Senior and Junior) Handicap.—1st, L. Xavier; 2nd, J. Xavier.

Half-mile Flat Race (Junior) Handicap.—1st, B. A. Hyder; 2nd, G. Hyder; 3rd, A. Castilho.

Veterans' Race, 100 yards, open to past pupils over 30 years of age. Handicap.—1st, Mr. F. E. Carvalho; 2nd, Mr. V. O. Rocha.

100 yards Handicap for boys 10 years and under, open to sons of past pupils not attending St. Joseph's College.—1st, H. Ribeiro; 2nd, Jackie Noronha.

Three-legged Race 100 yards (Senior and Junior) Handicap.—1st, L. Xavier and F. A. Xavier; 2nd, A. Mahomet and M. Ahmed.

100 yards Flat Race in uniform. Handicap. Open to Scouts of the Junior Troop.—1st, Scout F. Pronchandy; 2nd, Scout R. Alarakia.

100 yards Flat Race in uniform. Handicap. Open to Scouts of the Senior Troop.—1st, Scout T. Carvalho; 2nd, Scout J. F. Silva.

Half-mile Flat Race (Senior) Handicap.—1st, H. Johnson; 2nd, R. Omar.

100 Yard Flat Race. Open to English Schools for Portuguese.—1st, Dick Noronha; 2nd, A. Silva.

120 Yards Consolation Race. (Junior).—1st, M. Roza; 2nd, P. Xavier.

One-Mile Bicycle Race. Handicap. Points in this event did not count for the aggregate for the Gold Medal.—1st, P. Jackson; 2nd, F. Silva.

120 Yards Consolation Race (Senior).—1st, V. Xavie:; 2nd V. Conceicao.

Tug-of War (Senior).—Winning Team:—H. Johnson's Team.

Extra Race 100 Yards, open to Scouts of the Junior Troop.—1st, L. Lopes.

Gold Medal for the highest aggregate number of points, counting 3 points for each win and 1 point for each second place.—D. Braga, 14 points.

The St. Joseph's College Inter-Class Footboll Shield was won by the Junior Class Team in the Final against Class 4 a's Team.

FOOTBALL.

Police Defeated by the R.E.

The Royal Engineers met the Police in a U.S. League match on Saturday and easily defeated them by two goals to nil.

The game was a poor one and the Police played wretchedly, practically throughout. Occasionally one was given hopes of improved play, but they were never realised, and the Engineers had little difficulty in putting up the winning score of two clear goals. Swan, although he had to accept penetration on two occasions, played a capital game.

Final Matches of the Season.

To-day, Monday.—Club v. Police (U.S.L.), Club Ground, 5.15; referee, Mr. A. A. Wilson. R.G.A. v. R.E. (U.S.L.), Military Ground, 4 p.m.; referee, Mr. F. W. Wright.

Wednesday.—R.G.A. v. Police (U.S.L.), Club Ground 4 p.m.; referee, Mr. F. W. Wrght.

Saturday.—Club v. R. E. (U.S.L.), Club Ground, 4 p.m.; referee, Mr. F. W. Eager.

The annual general meeting of the H. K. League will be held on Thursday next, April 15, at 5.15.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Football Association will be held on Tuesday, April 20, at 5.30.

BRITISH ENDURANCE.

A Band of Three Save a Position.

London, Feb. 2.

A thrilling story of British pluck and endurance is told by "Eye-Witness" with the forces at the front.

He says that during the fighting on February 17, south-east of Ypres, a party of 40 Britishers was isolated and exposed to the full fury of the enemy's attack.

The 40 held the trench they occupied until every one of them had been either killed or wounded, and at the end there were only three who were capable of using a rifle at all.

They kept on firing, however, until their ammunition was almost exhausted and then managed to send word to the rear, and seven strong men carried more ammunition to the trench.

When they reached the inferno they found the three survivors standing among their dead and disabled comrades, still firing steadily.

The ammunition only came in the nick of time. The increase of seven in their rank enabled the heroes to beat off the assault, which was made on them, and the position was saved.

The correspondent mentions that in one portion of the battle ground—in some brickfields—a young German officer charged at the head of 30 men, waving his sword.

The attackers reached the entanglements protecting the British position, but got no further, for they were all killed.

The officer still lies where he fell, his sword still in his hand, with his 30 comrades all dead around him.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st Apr., 1915.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1914.		1915.	
Tytam	35ft. 4in. overflow	Below	18ft 0in overflow	Below
Tytam Byewash	29ft. 3in. overflow	Below	23ft 11in overflow	Below
Tytam Intermediate	44ft. 7in. overflow	Below	29ft 11in overflow	Below
Pokfulum	27ft. 2in. overflow	Below	23ft. 7in overflow	Below
Wong-nai-chung	35ft. 7in. overflow	Below	31ft 10in overflow	Below

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1914.	1915.
Tytam	158.49	249.40
Tytam Byewash	1.77	4.50
Tytam Intermediate	31.40	69.35
Pokfulum	21.76	17.85
Wong-nai-chung	1.83	2.45
Total	197.60	340.45

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions of decimals gallons during the month of Mar., 1915.

	1914	1915	
Consumption	132.13	145.98	m. gallons
Estimated population	856,819	860,419	
Consumption per head per day	16.6	18.1	galls

Intermittent supply by Rider Mains in Rider Main Districts during March 1914. Constant supply in all districts during March 1915.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1914	1915
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	9ft 5in Below overflow	9ft 4in Below overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1914	1915
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	261.50	299.24

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions of Decimals Gallons During the month of Mar., 1915.

	1914	1915	
Consumption	36.25	39.72	m. gallons
Estimated population	94,450	96,050	
Consumption per head per day	12.3	10.3	gallons

The Government Analyst's reports shows that the water is of excellent quality.

Public Works Department, W. CHATHAM, Water Authority.

England Not Too Busy.

Washington, March 12.—Great Britain has asked General Carranza to explain the seizure of the steamer Urjvisbrook, and the arrest of Captain Muir at Campeche.

The amount collected at the Easter Monday match was $32.10, which has been expended.

U. S. League Table.

Club.	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Navy	8	6	1	1	15	3	13
R.E.	6	3	3	0	4	3	6
R.G.A.	6	2	2	2	4	5	6
Police	6	2	2	2	3	5	6
Club	6	0	5	1	2	12	1

WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 5).

How Germany Treats British Prisoners.

April 10, 6.45 a.m.

A White Paper which has been published, consisting of correspondence between the British Government and the American Ambassador, contains appalling revelations of the treatment of British prisoners in Germany.

Although an improvement is now noticed, thanks to the efforts of the United States representatives, the document is one long recital of cruelties and privations.

The American Ambassador in Berlin himself asked the German Government whether they would supply an extra blanket to the prisoners, who were suffering from the cold, but he received no answer.

The prisoners complained of an insufficiency of food, which consisted chiefly of two cups of coffee, some soup and a piece of bread daily.

The officers were brutally ill-treated, spat upon and kicked. The men were forced to sleep on sodden straw, which was not changed for months, and were obliged to clean the latrines.

Blue Funnel Steamer Outwits Submarine.

April 9, 1.40 p.m.

The Blue Funnel liner Theseus, bound for Java, has arrived at Gibraltar, and reports an exciting experience with a submarine when south-west of Bishop's Rock (Scilly Isles).

The submarine was sighted at 7 o'clock on the morning of March 29 two miles away. The Theseus went full speed but the submarine overhauled her and signalled her to stop at once. The Theseus ignored the order, whereupon the submarine opened fire, first with a machine-gun and later with a three-inch gun.

The submarine continually endeavoured to get into a favourable position to fire a torpedo, but each time the Theseus outmanœuvred her. The submarine finally abandoned the chase (which had continued for fifty-seven miles) at 10.30 a.m., when there were only three hundred yards between the ships.

The Theseus was damaged by bursting shells, but nobody on board was hurt.

Germans and America.

April 10, 10.40 a.m.

A message from Washington says that a German Note to the United States complains that America has accomplished nothing by the diplomatic correspondence with the Allies with regard to the right to ship food-stuffs to the civilian people of belligerent Powers, and intimates that America has virtually acquiesced in the British Order-in-Council prohibiting commerce with Germany.

The Note calls attention to the fact that the Allies are daily receiving arms and ammunition from the United States, and declares that, while the American Government insists on its legal right to ship these, it does not with equal energy pursue its rights to ship food-stuffs that are not contraband of war to civilians in Germany.

The Note further urges that, irrespective of the formal aspects of the question of shipping arms to belligerents, the spirit of neutrality should be observed.

The French and Egypt.

April 10, 1.00 a.m.

An official communique from Paris states that the French Eastern Expeditionary Force which was concentrated at Bizerta, under General Dtmade (?), completed its organisation and was ready on March 15 to assist the Allied Fleets. As, however, it was undesirable to keep the troops in transports longer than was necessary, the hospitality of Egypt was accepted and the troops were disembarked at Alexandria, after a voyage made under the best conditions, and are now quartered at Ramleh, a very favourite watering-place a mile or two away, ready to proceed to any point where and when their intervention may be necessary.

Further French Successes.

April 10, 2.55 a.m.

A Paris evening communique announces that, after a brilliant fresh attack, an important position at Les Eparges, dominating the plain of the Woevre, which the enemy defended obstinately, is now completely in our hands.

Yesterday we carried over 1,500 metres of trenches.

This morning the Germans held in strength a plateau in two isolated positions. We carried these in the afternoon, and thus attained one of the principal objectives of the operations of the last few days.

In Bois d'Ailly we maintained all the ground gained.

In Bois de Montmarie we repulsed the Germans, who made fifteen unsuccessful attacks to retake the trenches which we wrested from them yesterday. Heaps of German bodies strewed the ground.

Germans Badly Punished.

April 10, 2.55 a.m.

From Belgium it is reported that, near Driegrachten, the German attack occupied part of a trench on the left bank of the Yser while the Belgian attack, debouching nearly on the right bank, installed itself there at Tete de Pont.

There has been a vigorous infantry action north of Beausejour. The Germans were mowed down except at one point, where they succeeded in installing themselves in an advanced trench. To-day we counter-attacked and recaptured the place.

Austro-Germans beaten back.

April 10, 2.55 a.m.

A Petrograd communique reports that the Russians have repulsed numerous Austro-German counter-attacks in the Carpathians, and continue to progress. They now hold the whole of the principal mountain chain for a distance of sixty-six miles, except the height south of Wolismikhova.

Honours for all Ranks.

April 9th, 7.40 p.m.

The Distinguished Service Order has been conferred on the following officers:—

Squadron-Commander Davies, and Flight-Lieutenant Peirse, for their repeated attacks on Ostend and Zeebrugge under heavy fire. Commander Davies on one occasion was wounded, but accomplished his task.

Commander Wilfred Nunn, for the skilful handling of his ship in uncharted waters in Shat-el-Arab operations.

Lieutenant-Commander G. B. Palmer, for disabling the enemy's boats in the Suez Canal, during which he was severely wounded.

The Distinguished Service Cross has been awarded to:—

Lieutenants E. R. Conson, H. W. Orde and C. J. Charlewood for gallantry at Dar-es-Salaam.

Lieutenant George Carew, who, although he had a shattered leg and a broken arm, continued to pilot his ship with coolness and equanimity in the Suez Canal operations.

Chief Gunner Middleton, Sub-Lieut. Dickens and Midshipman Colson, all of the Carmania, for gallantry in the action with the Cap Trafalgar.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

The Conspicuous Gallantry medal has been granted to:—

Petty-Officer Clark, and Leading-Seaman Gallagher, for their services at Dar-es-Salaam.

The Distinguished Service medal has been granted to:—

Telegraphist Perrow, of H.M. cruiser Gloucester; to eleven men of the Carmania; and to six men of H.M.A.S. Sydney.

Petty Officer Vernon, Seaman Upton, Stoker Paleston, for services at Dar-es-Salaam.

The French aviator Grall for his gallant reconnaissance at Akaba.

Five men of the Doris for services at Alexandretta.

Petty Officer W. A. Colgati for services in the Suez Canal operations.

The Admiralty has presented Letters of Approbation on vellum to six officers in connection with the sinking of the submarines U 8 and U 12. Such letters, it is announced, will be issued in other cases where men are still handling their ships in the presence of the enemy and showing other high qualities such as daring resource, tenacity, quickness of the mind and eye, although not necessarily performed under fire, and are equivalent to being "mentioned in despatches."

Fifteen men have received the Distinguished Service medal in connection with the sinking of the above submarines.

Will Italy Intervene.

April 9, 14 5 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Rome says that the newspapers are much perturbed by the rumours of the possibility of a separate peace being arranged between Austria and Russia. They point out that Austria no longer has any chance of reconquering her lost territory, and incurs a great risk of losing still more if the war continues, whereas by instant submission she may hope to check the Russian invasion and Servian advance, and cheat Italy and Roumania of the aspirations which they expect to realise by eventual intervention.

These arguments have strengthened the propaganda in favour of intervention.

Anti-Austrian demonstrations have taken place at Genoa. The Austrian flag was burned and the troops, who were called out to quell the disorder, fraternised with the crowds, who finally dispersed after smashing German shops.

An Italian statesman explains that Italy is delaying action in order to exhaust all means of obtaining peacefully what she wants. In any case her intervention would be most effective when the supreme clash of war takes place, which now is expected in June at the latest.

Greece and Bulgaria.

April 9, 1.45 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens says that, notwithstanding the efforts made by his supporters, M. Venizelos announced at a private meeting yesterday that his decision to withdraw from politics was irrevocable, owing to the King refusing to endorse his statement that His Majesty agreed to his proposal to offer territorial concessions to Bulgaria.

In the Dardanelles.

April 9, 10 5 p.m.

A Paris communique says that in the Dardanelles minesweeping at the entrance to the inlet opposite Chanak, is continued nightly under the direction of two battleships. The opposition offered by the Turks is feeble and ineffective.

[Chanak is nearly half way through the Straits]

Holland and Germany.

April 9, 4.15 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent has interviewed the Netherlands Minister in London, who says that he has no news justifying any belief in the report of any new or special tension between Holland and Germany, and that he is equally at a loss to know whence the report emanated.

The latest news he said, indicates that the belligerents on both sides fully appreciate the manner in which Holland, with considerable difficulty but with goodwill, has hitherto maintained the strictest neutrality.

Austrians Reduced to Old German Rifles.

April 9, 4.15 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Rome says that the Austrian casualties in the Carpathian battles number three hundred thousand. The number of rifles captured by the Russians is so great that whole Austrian divisions have had to be armed with old German rifles and are now using black powder.

Germans Poison Wells.

April 9, 1.45 p.m.

A message from Cape Town states that the British Forces advancing from Aus found that the Germans had poisoned the wells contrary to all the rules of civilised warfare.

Numerous land mines have been exploded harmlessly.

Germans in Bad Plight at Les Eparges.

April 10, 3.15 a.m.

The French success at Les Eparges is the most important development in the recent operations. It relieves the pressure on Verdun and simultaneously threatens the retreat of the German forces still clinging desperately to St. Mihiel.

Les Eparges has been the scene of fierce struggles. The Germans in that neighbourhood are mostly Bavarians, who have been so roughly handled that the town (?) has begun to have a sinister reputation.

"Like a Bolt from the Blue."

April 10, 3.15 a.m.

In Germany the announcement of the arrival of the French troops in Egypt came like a bolt from the blue. This fact affords an admirable testimony to the secrecy of the Allies' movements and their ability to give the enemy unpleasant surprises. The whereabouts of the expedition has hitherto been wrapped in impenetrable mystery.

Rewards for the Vosges Crew.

April, 9, 10.5 p.m.

The Press Bureau announces that Capt. Green of the s.s. Vosges, who on March 29, defied a German submarine, has been appointed a lieutenant on the Royal Naval Reserve and awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his gallantry and resolute conduct.

The Admiralty expresses appreciation also, of the behaviour of the officers and men, and has presented each of the officers with a gold watch, and each sailor with £3.

The widow of the Chief Engineer receives a gold watch.

How British Prisoners are Treated in Germany.

April 10th, 3.15 a.m.

A report of Vandeleur, of the Cameronians, who escaped from the prisoner-of-wars' camp at Crefeld (Germany) is published in a Parliamentary Paper. It says that he and fifty-two captives were conveyed in a filthy horse-box and kept for thirty-hours without food. They were cursed at every station at which they stopped by the German soldiery, and Vandeleur himself was kicked. The British prisoners were employed at the most menial tasks and badly treated.

Irish Refuse Kaiser's Sympathy.

The Irish prisoners were told that the Kaiser sympathised with their downtrodden country and were offered a separate camp. This offer the Irishmen indignantly refused, declaring that they would share the same treatment as their compatriots.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

G. R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 19th day of April, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Star Street, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at Crown Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

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(Last of the present series.)

MONDAY NEXT.

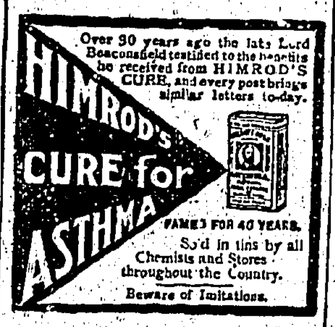
at 5.30 p.m.

LECTURE IN AID OF THE PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

Sir Charles Eliot, K.C.M.G., has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture, in aid of the above Fund, entitled "The Eastern Theatre of the War; some recollections of an ex-diplomatist," at St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, on Friday, the 16th April, at 5.15 p.m.

His Excellency The Governor will take the Chair.

Tickets, price one dollar, may be obtained from Messrs. Moutrie & Co.



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and that the price of servants' punch tickets available for 20 rides will be $1.20.

Season tickets expiring in April can be extended to April 30th on same terms pro rata as now in force but no three monthly Season Tickets and no annual tickets will be issued in April.

Notice is further given that on and after 1st May next daily return tickets and Annual tickets will be abolished.

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HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

The Thirty-Fourth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the General Managers at 12 noon on Monday, 12th April, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1914, and the Report of the General Managers.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 30th instant, to the 12th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1915.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK Co., Ltd.

The share certificates Nos. 2410/2411 for 10 and 25 shares respectively, numbered 12739/12748 and 35858/35882 inclusive, standing in the register in the joint names of George Andrew Hastings and John Barham Carslake, solicitors, Liverpool and Birmingham, having been lost or destroyed.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said certificates be produced at the office of the Company Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, before the 24th April, 1915, new certificates for the said shares will be issued and the old certificates will thereupon be held by the Company as null and void.

GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th March 1915.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-Second Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Friday, the 23rd April, 1915, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1914, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 13th April to the 23rd April both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1915.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-Ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company will be held at its Head Office No. 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Friday, the 23rd April, 1915, at 12.15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1914, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 13th April to 23rd April both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.

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NOTICE

CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

6 PER CENT. INTERNAL LOAN OF 1915.

PROSPECTUS

Subscription List will be opened on the 12th April, 1915 and closed on or before the 12th May, 1915.

Subscriptions in places outside China will be received at the Banks' drawing rate of the day on Shanghai.

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT 6 PER CENT. INTERNAL LOAN OF 1915,

Under the regulations annexed hereto, as authorised by PRESIDENTIAL MANDATE dated the 9th day of the 2nd month of the 4th year of the Republic of China corresponding to the same day and month of 1915.

$24,000,000.00 PEIYANG AND NEW REPUBLICAN DOLLARS.

The above loan of $24,000,000 is now offered to the Public for subscription in China, Straits Settlements, Philippines, Java, etc., in bonds to bearer of $10,000, $1,000, $100, $10, $5 (with coupons attached), bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum; interest payable half-yearly on the 12th October and 12th April in each year. The first coupon for a full 6 months interest will be payable on the 12th October, 1915.

Repayable in 8 years in six annual instalments commencing with the third year in accordance with the amounts and dates of the amortisation table attached.

Drawings will take place on the 15th February in each year commencing 15th February 1918 and the drawn bonds will be due for payment on the 12th April following.

Bonds and coupons are exempt from all Chinese taxes and imposts.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE 90 PER CENT.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
The Bank of China,
The Bank of Communications,

having been designated by the Chinese Government to be issuing Banks are now prepared to receive subscriptions for the loan.

The price of subscriptions is 90 per cent, payable as follows:—
10 per cent. on application.
30 per cent. on allotment.
50 per cent. on 28th June, 1915.

Applications must be made on the form to be obtained from the above-Bank, and accompanied by the deposit of $10. per cent.

If no allotment is made the deposit paid on application will be returned in full, and if only a portion of the amount applied for be allotted, the balance of the deposit will be appropriated towards payment of the amount due on Allotment.

Failure to pay any of the instalments at due dates will render all previous payments liable to forfeiture.

Scrip certificates to bearer in respect of the loan bonds will be issued against allotment letters; and bonds, printed in Chinese and English, signed and sealed by the Minister of Finance and the Comptroller-General of the Bureau of National Loans will be delivered in exchange for Scrip Certificates, when ready, as soon as possible after the 28th day of the 6th month (28th June) 1915.

Prospectuses and Forms of Application may be obtained from any of the Offices of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, The Bank of China and the Bank of Communications.

Peking, 8th April, 1915,

REGULATIONS OF THE DOMESTIC LOAN OF THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

Art 1. The Government issue this loan for the purpose of adjusting the old debts and increasing the funds of the National Treasury. The authorised amount of this loan shall be twenty-four million dollars ($24,000,000.00)

Art. 2. The rate of interest of this Loan shall be six per cent per annum (6 per cent.)

Art. 3. The interest of this Loan shall be paid half-yearly on the 12th day of April and the 12th day of October of each year.

Art. 4. During the first two years following the date of issue of this Loan, only the interest thereon shall be paid; commencing from the third year, the amount of redemption to be made each year in accordance with the schedule of payment to be hereto attached, shall be effected by the drawing of bonds and the entire amount of this loan shall be redeemed in the eighth year. The about-mentioned drawing of bonds shall take place at Peking, on the 15th day of February of each year.

Art. 5. The Ministry of Finance shall raise the full amount of one million four hundred and forty thousand dollars ($1,440,000) which is the amount of interest on this Loan for one year and shall hand it over to the Inspector-General of Customs to be deposited by him in his name in the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications, to be permanently deposited there as a guaranty for the interest. Besides this sum the Ministry of Finance shall likewise appropriate every month a sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars ($120,000) and shall hand it over to the Inspector-General of Customs to be by him deposited in Loan Service Accounts in the above two banks for the payment of interest on due dates.

Art. 6. Beginning from the third year, the funds for the repayment of principal of this Loan shall be appropriated and deposited in the same manner as stated in Article 5.

Art. 7. This entire Loan is secured, in respect to the repayments of principal and payments of interest by the unconditional guarantee of the Chinese Government and by a first charge on the unpledged revenues of the Native Customs of the Republic, specified below, and the Revenue from Likin of the whole Province of Shansi.

The amount of the above-mentioned revenues is as follows:—

(a) The Yang Yiu (揚由) Native Customs of Kiang Su, yearly receipts $470,000

(b) The Native Customs in Amoy, Min-an (閩安), Chu-chi (竹崎), Hung Tang (洪塘), Chung An (崇安), Pu Chung (浦城), Kuang Tse (光澤), Shang Hang (上杭), Peiling (北領), yearly receipts 360,000

(c) The Native Customs in Wenchow (溫州), Heun Chow (潯州), total annual receipts 232,000

(d) The Native Customs in Hai Nan (海南) and Swatow (汕頭); total annual receipts 530,000

The Native Customs in Ching Chow (荊州), Wu ng (武昌), Han Yang (漢陽); total annual receipts 700,000

The Native Customs in Kiang Si (贛關); Chen Chow 沔州, Pao Ching (寶慶) Tung Kuan (潼關); total annual receipts 348,000

The Native Customs in Kuei Kwan (夔關), Cheng Tu 成都), Ning Yuan (寧遠), Yung Ning (永寧), Yeh Chow (雅州), Kuang Yuan (廣元), Ta Chien (打箭鑪); total annual receipts 420,000

Native Customs of Tai Ping Kuan (太平關) 300,000

nual receipts 540,000

Customs in Kalgan (張家口) 60,000

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NOTICE.

REDEMPTION OF 8 PER CENT. MILITARY BONDS.

The various Agencies will commence on March 15th, 1915, to redeem the 8 per cent. Nanking Military Bonds drawn at the First Drawing.

As stipulated in Art. 16 of the Loan Regulations, the 8 per cent. Military Bonds drawn at the first drawing shall be presented for payment within five years from the date of First Drawing. Any bond that is not presented for payment within the said period of five years shall become null and void.

Holders of the drawn bonds shall hand to the agencies all the unmatured interest coupons as well as the bonds, for cancellation. If they do not hand over the unmatured coupons, the value of such coupons shall be deducted from the principal due to the holders.

List of the Bond Numbers Drawn at the First Drawing of the 8 per cent, Nanking Military Bonds of Redemption.

Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers	Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers	Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers	Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers
$1000	3–4	$100	32-62	$10	858 1232	$5	998- 525
1000	13–16	100	187-248	10	2753-3512	5	3698-4693
1000	35–36	100	408-462	10	6933-7312	5	9446-9978
1000	76-77	100	1228-1268	10	9593-9972	5	66310-66837
1000	86-87	100	1445-1475	10	10562-10622	5	68930-69477
1000	132-133	100	1616 1632	10	10867-10988	5	75814-76841
1000	204-205	10	1651-1664	10	11538-11598	5	77926-78453
1000	239-265	100	2038-2046	10	11965-12025	5	80506-82149
1000	323-331	100	2101-2122	10	12270-12330	5	83734-84261
1000	340-341	100	2216-2246	10	13063-13123	5	85846 87429
1000	348-353	100	2371-2400	10	13307-13367	5	93238-93765
1000	376-377	100	2451	10	13612-13794	5	96406 97461
1000	528-581	100	5001-5004	10	13978-14038	5	99046-99573
1000	3006-3009	10	6501-6513	10	14222-14404	5	100 630-101157
1000	3290-3316	100	6101-6437	10	15078-15136	5	101686-102215
1000	3964-3990	100	6531-6561	10	15442-15500	5	102742-103269
1000	4099-4125	100	6655-6747	10	19101-19163	5	106968-107497
1000	4261-4262	100	7090-7093	10	19430-19490	5	226131-226160
1000	4267-4268	100	7501-7527	10	47505-47884	5	226990-227000
1000	4271-4272	100	7683-7708	10	52445-52824	5	231201-231249
1000	4275-4276	100	8001-8005	10	53965-54344	5	235135 235146
1000	4302-4303	100	8501-8530	10	55865-57004	5	249101-249118
1000	11733-11759	100	9426-9639	10	58145 58524	5	249299-249328
1000	11841-11867	100	10608-10709	10	59565 60804	5	249449-249478
1000	11976-12056	100	11352-11458	10	64985-65364	5	249839-249868
1000	12138-12164	100	11837-11998	10	67265-68024	5	249959-249988
1000	12246-12295	100	13278-13384	10	69165 69544	5	250109-250198
1000	12301-12331	100	13501-13531	10	70305-70684	5	250289-250318
1000	12629-12655	100	13725-13755	10	71065-71444	5	250 409-250498
1000	12791-12844	100	13818 13848	10	71825-72204	5	250829-250858
1000	12926-12952	100	13880-13910	10	a48109-48169	5	25 :009-251068
1000	13007-13033	100	13942-13968	10	a48631-48691	5	251159-251188
1000	13061-13087	100	13970-13973	10	a48753 488 8	5	251249-251278
1000	13115-13141	100	14197-14211	10	a49789-49707	5	25 309-251338
1000	13331-13357	100	16201 16206	10	a60589-60970	5	251369-251398
		100	16208-16212			5	251607-251634
		100	16321-16427				
		100	6602-16604				
		100	18104-18105				
		100	19396-19716				
		100	20038-20144				
		100	20466-20786				
		100	21964-22070				
		100	22606 22819				
		00	29141-29247				
		10	30035-30141				
		10	30249-30355				
		100	30463-30569				
		100	31319-31425				

The total value of the bonds to be redeemed amounts to $1,150,000.00

Art. 8. The repayments of principal and the payments of interest of this Loan shall be made by the Head and Branch Offices of the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications, the foreign bank or banks entrusted in that capacity by the Government, substantial native banks and the Maritime Customs Houses.

Art 9. The Bonds of this Loan shall be issued at ninety per cent. (90 %) of the nominal value.

Art. 10. The Bonds of this Loan shall be Bearer-bonds. In case the subscribers request the affixing of their names on them, their requests may be complied with.

Art. 11. The Bonds of this Loan shall be of the following five denominations:—

1. $10,000 each
2. 1,000 "
3. 100 "
4. 10 "
5. 5 "

Art. 12. The above Bonds, when they are due for the repayment of principal and their matured coupons can be used as cash in payment of Government Taxes and duties, other than Maritime Customs duties and for other purposes as ready cash.

Art. 13. The above Bonds can be used as guaranty fund or the fiduciary reserve of banks.

Art. 14. The above Bonds can be bought, sold, mortgaged or used as security in case where a guaranty fund is required in the public service.

Art. 15. All officials and other persons concerned in the transactions of the above Bonds, who by any action injure the credit of the same, shall be liable to punishment in accordance with the regulations relating to the injury inflicted upon the credit of Internal Loan.

Art. 16. Fifteen days prior to the date of repayment of principal or payment of interest of this Loan, the Ministry of Finance shall petition the President to appoint two Censors and two Auditors of the Board or Audit, who shall proceed to the Bureau of Domestic Loans, the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications to inspect the accounts and the fund for the repayment of principal and payments of interest of this Loan. The Censors the Auditors of the Board of the Audit and the authorities of the Ministry of Finance shall also jointly superintend the drawing of bonds for redemption.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT 6 PER CENT. INTERNAL LOAN OF 1915.

SCHEDULE OF INTEREST AND AMORTISATION.

Year.	Interest.	Repayments of Capital.	Balance of Loan outstanding.
1.	1,440,000	.....	24,000,000
2.	1,440,000	.....	24,000,000
3.	1,440,000	3,460,000	20,540,000
4.	1,232,400	3,667,000	16,873,000
5.	1,012,380	3,887,000	12,986,000
6.	779,160	4,120,000	8,866,000
7.	531960	4,368,000	4,498,000
8.	269,880	4498,000	nil.

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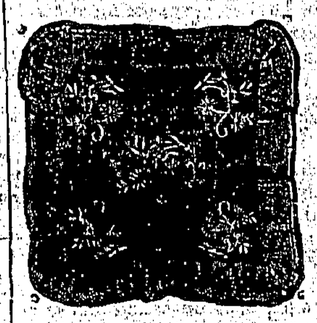

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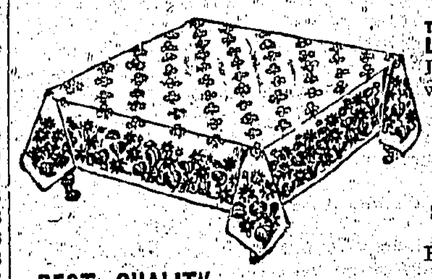

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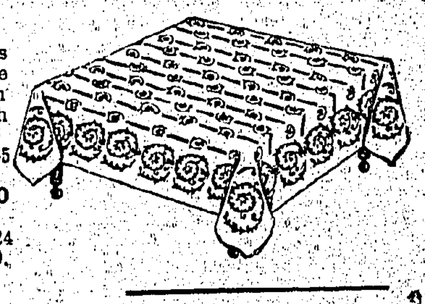

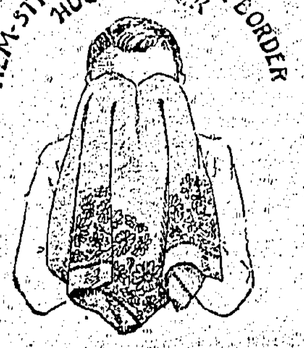

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Commercial.

Selangor Chamber of Commerce.

Kuala Lumpur, March 30.—The annual meeting of the Selangor Chamber of Commerce was held to-day. Mr. H. P. Clodd was elected chairman, Mr. A. K. E. Hampshire deputy chairman, and Messrs. W. F. Nutt, J. A. Russell, P. de C. Morris, H. C. E. Z charias and T. D. Batteridge committee. The Commissioner of Trade and Customs gave details of the trade during 1914. The aggregate volume was $107,224,000, or $175 per head of the population. Referring to the effect of the war he said exports had recovered the normal at the end of the year but imports showed no recovery. A proposal by Mr. Batteridge that Government be asked to allow the Chamber of Commerce to nominate its own representative on the Federal Council, was referred to the committee.—*Straits Times.*

Special Financial Conference.

A special financial conference will be summoned before the end of this month as was done last year, to discuss the necessary measures to be taken to improve the financial condition of China. The following questions will be submitted to the conference for discussion:—(1.) The reorganisation of likin and other similar petty taxes; (2.) preparations for the collection of the income-tax; (3.) further extension of the title inspection tax; (4.) extension of the stamp-tax duty; (5.) retail wine and tobacco tax; (6) modification of the commissioner (broker) tax; (7.) how to raise funds to meet the budget deficits; (8.) reduction of administrative expenses in the provinces; (9.) increase of land tax to offset the loss sustained by the substitution of dollars for taels; (10.) provincial remittances to the Central Government.

The Tea Market.

Messrs. Wm. Jas. and Hy. Thompson's Weekly Tea Circular March 12, states:—An exceptionally buoyant tone has been in evidence during the past week, and prices have again advanced, so that there is practically nothing but dust now selling under 10½d. per lb. China—Arrivals: *Pelens* with 313 pkgs.; *Nankin* with 3,194 pkgs. and 883 pkgs. in transit. Public auctions amounting to some 1,000 pkgs. of green tea were held this week and most of the offerings were sold. Privately.—There is little business doing owing to the smallness of supplies of nearly every description. Common leaf remains fully firm to firmer, and practically nothing can be obtained below 9d. per lb. Java: Offerings during the week, 2,508 pkgs., against 4,705 pkgs. last year: total from Jan. 1 to date, 38,674 pkgs., against 60,742 pkgs., last year. The small quantity brought to auction came to a strong demand at prices which generally showed smart advances. Among the highest averages were:—Tendjoe Ayoe, 11¾d.; Malabar, 11½d.; Tjiomas, 11d; and Marolo, 10½d. The average for the whole sale on Garden account is 10¾d. per lb., compared with 8½d. per lb. year ago. Messrs. Lloyd, Matheson and Carritt Report:—China: The business doing this week has not been large; it has consisted of a moderate quantity of useful Moning Congous about 9d. to 10d., and also of a few fine first crop Ningchows and Keemuns from 11½d. to 1s. 2d. per lb. In Foochow teas several parcels of Panyongs and fine Souchongs changed hands at firm quotations. Green Tea: About 1,000 packages were offered at auction on Wednesday, but the bulk of the teas changed hands privately at steady rates. Java: Sales passed with strong competition, prices being appreciably dearer than last week. Messrs. Shepard and Co.'s Indian and Ceylon Tea Market Report states:—Indian: Supplies this week were on a somewhat reduced scale, the total offered being 57,800 packages, including 8,000 South India Teas, and all but 900 were disposed of in the room. The activity prevailing for the past few weeks still continues. Ceylon: 24,773 packages were brought forward this week, practically all finding buyers in the room. The sale passed with excited bidding, prices showing a further decidedly dearer tendency, and up to 10½d. prices were fully 1½d. per lb. over last week's rate.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLERS SA.—SALES B.—BUYERS N.—NOMINAL

STOCK.	To-day's Closing Prices		Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914. Highest		1914. Lowest		1915. Highest, 9th Apr. to now	1915. Lowest, 9th Apr. to now	Last Dividend and Date
Banks.												
H'kong & S'hai Banking Corp.	$800 s. / £76/-/-		120,000	$125	all	855	July.	700	Oct.	800	800	£2: 3/- & 5/- bonus at ex 1/9½ equal to $27.27 for ½ year ending 31/12/14
Marine Insurances.												
Canton Insurance Office, Ld.	360	b.	10,000	$250	50	350	Dec.	305	Oct.	360	360	Final of $3 a/c 1912. Interim of $18 a/c 1913.
North China Ins. Co., Ld.	£175	b.	10,000	£15	£5	145	May	133	Jan.	175	175	Final of 12½ p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1913
Union Ins. Society of C'ton, Ld.	$905		12,400	$250	100	847½	April	700	Oct.	$910	$905	Final of $20 making $50 for 1912 and Interim of $30 for 1913
Yangtsze Ins. Assoc. Ld.	$224		12,000	$100	60	2'0	April	192½	Jan.	224	224	Final of $15 mak. $18 for 19 3 & Int. of $3 for 1914
Fire Insurances.												
China Fire Ins. Co., Ld.	$120	s	30,000	$100	20	160	Ju'y	140	Oct.	130	130	$9 for 1913
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ld.	$373	b	8,000	$250	50	395	Feb.	368	April	373	373	$27 for 1913
Shipping.												
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ld.	$5¼		30,000	$25	all	10	Jan.	5½	Dec.	5¼	5½	$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship Co., Ld.	$35½	b.	20,000	$50	all	36	Mar.	27½	Nov.	36	35	$3 for year ending 30'6'14
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ld	22½		80,000	$15	all	29¼	Jan.	22	Dec.	22½	22½	Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts for year ending 31'12'14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld.	$93	b.	60,000 / 60,000	£5	all	79	Jan.	50	Sept.	93	93	Final of 3% m'king 6 % on preferred shares & 5 % on deferred shares for year 1913
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ld.	91/6	s.	3,797,610	£1	all	106/-	Feb.	70/-	Sept.	91/6	91/6	Interim of 1/- a/c 1914 C. No. 23
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	$336	s	40,000	$10	all	9	Mar.	40	Nov.	36	36	$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30'4'14
Refineries.												
China Sugar Refining Co., Ld.	$112		20,000	$100	all	96½	Feb.	70	Nov.	112	112	$3 for 1912
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ld.	$28	s.	7,000	$100	all	31	Jan.	17	Dec.	28	28	$3 for 1897
Mining.												
Kailan Mining Admin'tion.	35/-	s.	1,000,000	£1	all	41/-	Feb.	33/6	Dec.	35/-	35/-	Final of 5 % Coupon No. 4, making 10 % for year ending 30/6/14
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ld.	$4	s.	200,000	£1	all	3.10	Jan.	1.90	Nov.	4½	4½	1/2 for 1909
Tronoh Mines Ltd.	32/6	s.	160,000	£1	all	39/-	Feb.	19/6	Nov.	32/6	32/6	1/- mak. 7/6 a/c. 1913
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.												
H'kong & K.W. &G. Co., Ld.	$66		60,000	$50	all	89	Jan.	73	Nov.	66	66	$3.50 for year 1914
H'kong & W'poa D. Co., Ld.	$57	b.	50,000	$50	all	77	Jan.	53	Oct.	57	57	$3 dividend for year 1914
S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ld.	53	b.	56,700	t. 100	all	60	July	50	Dec.	53	53	Tls. 5 for 1913
S'hai & H'kew W. Co., Ld.	86		38,000	t. 100	all	109	Jan.	82½	Dec.	86	86	Tls. 5 for 1914
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.												
Anglo French Lands	t.94		13,000	t.100	t.100					94	94	Tls. 6½ for year ending 29.2.14
H'kong Hotel Co., Ld.	$118	s.	20,000	$50	50	128	July	120	Dec.	118	118	$2.50 for half year ending 31'12'14
H'kong Land Investment Co.	$110	s.	50,000	$100	all	117½	July	98	Nov.	110	110	$3½ for ½ year ending 31'12'14
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ld.	$6½	b.	100,000	$10	all	9¼	Jan.	7	Nov.	6¾	6¾	45 cents for year 1914
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ld	$40	b.	6,000	$50	20	45½	Jan.	44	Feb.	40	40	$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands	t.101	sa.	78,000	t.50	all	98	Dec.	89	Oct.	101	101	Final of 6 p.c. making 12 p.c. for 1914
West Point Building Co., Ld.	$68½		12,500	$50	all	73	June	66	Feb.	68½	68½	$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.14
H'kong Central Estates	$95	b.	10,000	$100	all					95	95	$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
Cotton Mills.												
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ld.	t.135	b.	20,000	t.50	all	138	July	125	May	135	135	Tls. 12 for year ending 31'10'14
Hongkong Cotton Co.	$6½	b.	125,000	$10	all	8¼	Mar.	7	June	6¾	6¾	50 cents 31'7'08
Kung Yik	12½		75,000	t.10	all	14¼	Jan.	11	Mar.	12½	12½	Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30'11'14
Laou Kung Mow	84	b.	8,000	t.100	all	110	Feb.	70	May	84	84	Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons	t.87	b.	40,000	t.50	all	135	Feb.	70	Nov.	87	86	Div. Tls. 6. Bonus Tls. 4. Extra Bonus Tls. 1, year end'g 30'6'14
Miscellaneous.												
China Borneo Company, Ld.	$11¼	s.	60,000	$12	all	12	May	10	Dec.	11¼	11¼	$1.20 for 1913
China Light & Power Co., Ld.	$4½	b.	50,000	$5	all	4.90	July	4	April	4¼	4	6% for year ending 28.2.06
Do. (Spec. shares)			50,000	$1	all							
China Provt. L. & M. Co., Ld.	7¾	b.	125,000	$10	all	9	Jan.	7	Nov.	7¾	7¾	70 cts. for 1914
Dairy Farm Company, Ld.	$34	b.	40,000	7½	6	39	June	35	Aug.	34	34	$1.50 for year ending 31'7'14
Green Island Cement Co. Ld.	6½	sa. ex div.	400,000	$10	all	6.90	Jan.	5	Dec.	7	6½	50 cts. for 1914.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.	$40	b.	60,000	$10	all	49	Jan.	36	Nov.	40	40	$1.80 per share for 1913
Hongkong Ice Company, Ld.	$190	b.	5,000	$25	all	217½	July	174	Dec.	190	190	Interim $2½ a/c 1914
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ld.	$26½	b.	60,000	$10	all	25	June	22	Apr.	26½	26½	Final of $1 making $2 for 1914
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ld.	5	b.	325,000	5/-	all	13/-	July	7/-	Feb.	5.10	5	Final div. of 6d. making 7½d per share for 1913
Langkats	t.36½	b.	250,000	g.10	all	64½	Mar.	28	Dec.	36½	36	Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913
Peak Tramway Co., Ld. (Old)	$10		25,000	$10	all	10½	Jan.	9¼	June	10	10	80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on $1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14
Do (New)	$1		50,000	$10	$1.	93 cts.	Jan.	75 cts.	Dec.	$1	$1	
Philippines Ld.	$5		75,000	$10	all					5	5	None
H. Price & Co., Ld	$5		12,000	$10	10					5	5	$1.50 for 1910.
Societe des Pulpes et Papieteries du Tonkin	$20		13,200	$50	all					20	20	None
Steam Laundry Co., Ld.	$3¾	s.	20,000	$5	all	5.00	June	4	Nov.	3¾	3¾	35 cts. for year ending 31'5'14
Union Water-boat Co., Ld.	$17½		27,723	$10	all	22¼	Feb.	17	Jan.	17½	17½	$1.00, per share for year ending 31.12.1914
Watson and Co., Ld.	$7	s.	90,000	$10	all	8½	April	6.90	Dec.	7	7	70 cts. for 1913
William Powell, Limited.	$61½	s.	21,000	$7	all	9½	Jan.	6½	Dec.	6½	6½	50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
S. C. Morning Post	$29	b.	6,000	$25	all	30	June	92	Dec.	29	29	$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14

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EXCHANGE.

12th April.

Selling.		Demand India	136¾	T/T Francs	2.30	6 m's. Francs	2.46
T/T	1/9¾	T/T Bombay		Demand Paris	2.30½	Gold Leaf per tael	$56.90
Demand	1/9 13/16	Demand Bombay	136¾	On Haiphong	7¼% prem.	Sovereign	$10.80 nom.
30 d/s	1/9⅞	T/T Calcutta		On Saigon	7 "	Bar Silver, ready	23¾
60 d/s	1/9 15/16	Demand Calcutta	136¾	On Bangkok	85 "	forward	
4 m/s	1/10	Demand Manila	89 1/4	**Buying.**		**SUBSIDIARY COINS.**	
T/T Shanghai	78	T/T San F'co & N.Y.	43⅝	4 m's. L/C	1/10 1/2	Discount per $100:	
Private 30 d/s sight		Demand, New York	43¾	4 m/s. D/P	1/10⅝	Chinese 20 cts. pieces	$15¼
T/T Singapore	77 7/8	T/T Java	110⅞	6 m/s. L/C	1/10⅞	Chinese 10 "	$15⅝
T/T Japan	89 1/4	T/T Marks	Nom.	30 d/s. S'ney & M.	1/10¾	Hongkong 20 cts. pieces	$11⅛
T/T India	136 1/2	Demand Germany	"	30 d/s. San F'co & N.Y.	45 1/8	Hongkong 10 "	$11⅞
				4 m's. Marks	Nom.		
				4 m/s. Francs	2.41		

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CAPITAL PAID-UP $3,250 000
RESERVE FUNDS..... 4,060,000

(U.S. Gold) $7,310,000

All kinds of FOREIGN & LOCAL BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates to be ascertained on application.

N. S. MARSHALL,
Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd Oct. 1914

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Authorised Capital Yen 48,000,000
Paid-up Capital ... " 30,000,000
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Interest Allowed on Current Account. Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1915.

NOTICES.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

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Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise:
Loans made on the Provident System.
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Undertaken and Executed.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 A.M. to 8.00 A.M. Every 15 Mins.
8.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. " 10 Mins.
10.00 A.M. to 11.00 A.M. " 15 Mins.
11.30 A.M. to 12.45 P.M. " 15 Mins.
12.45 P.M. to 1.15 P.M. " 10 Mins.
1.15 P.M. to 1.45 P.M. " 15 Mins.
1.45 P.M. to 2.25 P.M. " 20 Mins.
2.25 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. " 25 Mins.
4.00 P.M. to 5.10 P.M. " 10 Mins.

NIGHT CARS.

5.10 P.M. and 6 P.M. 9.10 P.M. to 12.00 P.M. every half hour.
12.00 P.M. to 11.45 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS

7.45 A.M. to 10.30 A.M. Every 15 Mins.
10.30 A.M. to 11.00 A.M. " 30 Mins.
11.00 A.M. to 12.00 Noon " 15 Mins.
12.00 Noon to 2.00 P.M. " 10 Mins.
2.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. " 20 Mins.
6.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M. " 15 Mins.
7.00 P.M. to 8.20 P.M. " 20 Mins.

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RESERVE FUNDS:
Sterling
£1,500,000 at 2/-
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Silver ...$18,000,000

$33,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors $15,000,000
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Reserve Fund.....£1,800,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

Wm. DICKSON.
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

	Feb. 25
Malwa, New	$1,100 per P.
Malwa, Old	1,200 "
Patna, New	1,325 per chs.
Patna, Old	1,200 "
Benares, New	1,050 "
Benares, Old	1,050 "

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LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

H. K. V. Scouts v. Kowloon.

These teams met on the Kowloon Ground on Saturday, and a keenly contested match ended in a draw in favour of the visitors. It was a bateman's day and some good scores were registered. Maas alone of the bowlers showed up well, taking five Kowloon wickets for 16 runs. Scores:—

Scouts.

G. R. Sayer, c and b Overy	12
R. Hutchinson, c Davidson, b Blackburn	4
M. M. Mass, run out	51
E. J. R. Mitchell, c. Edwards, b Claxton	48
G. R. Archbutt, b Blackburn	0
E. B. Reed, not out	26
F. A. Perry, c Robinson, b Overy	13
A. L. Gace, b Moberly	3
Extras	9
Total (for 7 wickets)	166

A. N. Anderson, R. Kennedy, and A. H. Crew did not bat.

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Moberly	10	2	35	1
Lt. Blackburn	13	1	49	2
H. Overy	7	0	31	2
J. P. Robinson	2	0	11	0
A. A. Claxton	8	1	31	1

Kowloon.

A. A. Claxton, b Maas	58
Lieut. Blackburn, b Reed	0
E. Sutton, c Maas, b Anderson	4
Lieut. Moberly, c Archbutt, b Anderson	15
L. M. Whyte, st Gace, b Maas	2
J. P. Robinson, c and b Maas	10
J. P. Edwards, b Maas	2
H. Overy, not out	1
A. W. F. Davidson, b Maas	3
Extras	4
Total	99

F. C. Hall and G. A. Coughlin did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. B. Reed	9	2	30	1
A. N. Anderson	9	0	29	2
G. R. Sayer	6	0	20	0
M. M. Maas	6	2	16	5

ATHLETICS.

St. Joseph's College Sports.

The first annual sports meeting in connection with St. Joseph's College was successfully held at the Racecourse on Saturday afternoon under the Patronage of His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni, and the able control of the General Committee, comprising the Rev. Bro. Director, (President). Chevalier Francisco Tse Yat. The Committee of the St. Joseph's College Association (ex officio); Mr. H. Dixon, Mr. F. E. Carvalho, Mr. M. Fernandez, Mr. E. J. Noronha, Mr. J. M. Noronha, Mr. A. Osmund, Mr. Jas. D. Osmund, Mr. J. M. Rocha, Mr. J. C. V. Ribeiro, Mr. J. P. Xavier and Mr. G. A. Yvanovich, Jr. The other officials, were:—

Judges.—Rev. Bro. Cornelius, Mr. A. Osmund, Mr. H. Dixon, Mr. Jas. D. Osmund.

Handicappers.—Mr. L. G. Cordeiro and Mr. I. Goldenberg.

Starters.—Rev. Bro. Paul and Mr. J. C. V. Ribeiro.

Hon. Secretaries.—Rev. Bro. Alphonsus and Mr. J. P. Braga. The weather was ideal for athletics and the different events were keenly contested. The whole programme, an exceedingly lengthy one, was carried out in a manner which spoke well for the co-operation of those in charge, and at the close the prizes were presented by His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni. The band of St. Lewis Industrial School was in attendance. The results were:—

Long Jump (Senior).— 1st, H. Johnson; 2nd, A. Goldenberg.

Long Jump (Junior).—1st, D. Braga; 2nd, A. Mahomet.

100 Yards Flat Race (Junior) Handicap. Challenge Cup presented by Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, to be won two years in succession.—1st, D. Braga; 2nd, Razack.

120 yards flat Race (Senior) Handicap.—1st, R. Omar; 2nd, A. Goldenberg.

50 yards Small Boys' Race. For boys 10 years of age and under. Handicap.—1st, Tay Yew Ai; 2nd L. Ribeiro; 3rd, A. Ismail.

440 yards flat Race (Junior) Handicap.—1st, B. Hyder; 2nd, D. Braga.

60 Yards Flat Race, Handicap. For boys 10 years of age and under. Open to sons of Past Pupils not attending St. Joseph's College.—1st, E. Noronha; 2nd, C. Osmund.

440 Yards Flat Race (Senior) Handicap.—1st, R. Omar; 2nd, A. Goldenberg.

High Jump (Senior).—1st, H. Johnson; 2nd, A. Goldenberg.

High Jump (Junior).—1st, D. Braga; 2nd, S. Sepher.

220 Yards Flat Race Handicap. For Past Pupils.—1st, U. Omar; 2nd, J. F. Silva.

220 Yards Flat Race (Junior) Handicap.—1st L. Gutierrez; 2nd, D Braga.

220 Yards Flat Race (Senior). Challenge Cup presented by St. Joseph's College Association, winner to have his name inscribed on the Cup, which remains the property of the College.—1st, R. Omar; 2nd, A Goldenberg.

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The services to Germany, Austria, and their Colonies, and to the Ottoman Empire are suspended as are also the Parcel Post services to France & Tsingtau.

British Postal Orders are now on sale at the Sai Yung Poon Branch Post Office.

The Public are advised to post early as there is a danger of late posted correspondence missing the mail owing to the censorship.

The afternoon Mail for Canton will close at the General Post Office at 6 p.m. No late bag will be closed on board the steamer.

The Pillar Box formerly at the junction of Kimberley and Nathan Roads has been removed to the junction of Austin Avenue and Kimberley Road.

Mails for Europe via Siberia are now being dispatched from Shanghai, on Tuesdays at Noon; and Wednesdays & Saturdays at 9 p.m.

Tuesday's dispatch connects with the Trans-Siberian weekly express at Harbin; the others connect with Post trains.

Until further notice Registered correspondence for New Britain (formerly known as German New Guinea, the Caroline Islands and Marshall Islands) cannot be accepted for transmission.

MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

American & Canadian Mails. Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasai, Honolulu, United States, S. America & Canada via San Francisco and United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per TENYO M., 13th 11 a.m.

(Tientsin-Pakow Service Shanghai Br. P. O. Saturday 17th inst.)

Swatow—Per HAIMUN, 13th Apr. noon.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAIYANG, 13th noon.

Manila—Per TEAN, 13th April 3 p.m.

Shanghai, & N. China—Per ANHUI 13th inst., 3 p.m.

Siberian Mail. Shanghai, and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per ANHUI, 13th April, 3 p.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Br. P. O. Saturday, 17th inst.)

WEDNESDY, 14th April.

Swatow—Per HAICHING, 14th noon.

THURSDAY, 15th April.

Holkow & Haiphong—Per HANOI, 15th inst. 10 a.m.

Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 15th inst. 10 a.m.

American & Canadian & Siberian Mails. Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C. and Seattle, United Kingdom via Canada, (Europe via Siberia)—Per YOKOHAMA MARU, 15th April, 11 a.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Br. P. O. Tuesday 20th inst.)

Straits, Ceylon, India via Bombay—Per IYO MARU, 15th 11 a.m.

Tientsin—Per HUICHOW, 15th 11 a.m.

Siberian Mail. Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per LIANGCHOW, 15th inst. 3 p.m.

[Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Br. P. O. Tuesday, the 20th April.]

FRIDAY 16th April.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa via Anping & Takao—Per SOSHU MARU, 16th April, 9 a.m.

Australian Mail. Philippine Islands, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and New Guinea via Thursday Is.—Per NIKKO MARU, 16th April, 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAITAN, 16th inst. noon.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

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Talthybius Br., s.s., 6,526, F. W. Cullim 10th inst.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

Haiching, Br. s.s. 1,267, W. C. Paismore 11th inst.—Swatow, 10th instant General—D. L. & Co.

Varg, Norw. s.s. 873, J. Jebsen, 11th inst.—Kin-Hon, 8th inst., General—Chinese.

Taishun, Chi. s.s. 1,260, Westerlund, 11th inst.—Shanghai, 7th inst., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co

Anhui, Br. s.s. 1,353, G. W. Eedy, 10th inst.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

Loksang, Br. s.s. 979, Ritchie, 10th inst.—Hoihow, 9th inst., Gen.—Chinese.

Fausang, Br. s.s. 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 11th inst.—Saigon, 7th inst., Rice—J. M. & Co.

Drufar, Norw. s.s. 1,102, J. Bing, 11th inst.—Bangkok, 2nd inst., Gen.—C. S. S. N. Co.

Dairen Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,497, K. Nasu, 11th inst.—Moji, 5th inst. General—O. S. K.

Boyarin, Rus. s.s. 995, G. Balding, 11th inst.—Haiphong, 8th inst., Rice—Chinese.

Hanoi, Fr. s.s. 739, Le Chevalier, 11th inst.—Haiphong, 8th inst., Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Jade, Fr. s.s. 386, J. Pannier, 11th inst.—Haiphong, 8th inst., Rice—O.S.K.

Chenan, Br. s.s. 1,355, Jones, 12th inst.—Canton, Gen.—B. & S.

Esang, Br. s.s. 1,127, Baker, 12th instant—Canton, General—J. M. & Co.

Bollefos, Norw. s.s. 859, T. A. Johnsen, 12th instant—Bangkok, 4th inst. Rice—Chinese.

Hupeh, Br. s.s. 1,205, C. P. Cole, 12th inst. Swatow, 11th instant, Rice—B. & S.

Soshu Maru, Japanese s.s. 1,006, A. Kabayashi, 12th instant—Takao, 8th instant, Gen.—O.S.K.

Colombo Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,919, O. Takamoto, 12th instant—Singapore, 6th instant, Gen.—N.Y.K.

Derwent, Br. s.s. 1,562, J. Jenkins, 12th instant—Saigon, 7th inst. Rice—Chinese.

DEPARTED.

April 10.

Tungus for Bangkok via Swatow.
Anna for Bangkok.
Waishing for Bangkok via Hoihow.
Hokuto Maru for Moji and Kobe.
Chenan for Shanghai.
Loongsang for Manila.
Malta for Shanghai.
American for K. C. Wan via Macao.
Kumchow for Saigon.
Daigi Maru for Haiphong.
Kaijo Maru for Tamsui via Swatow.
Chungking for Bangkok via Swatow.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

April 10.

Esang for Port Courbet
Anhui for Canton
Haimun for Foochow via Amoy
Koemun for Yokohama via Shanghai
Chipshing for Canton
Atsuta Maru for Singapore

April 12.

Taishun for Canton
Hangsang for Saigon
Iyo Maru for Bombay via Singapore
Dairen Maru for Bombay via Singapore
Soshu Maru for Canton

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Anhui from Shanghai—Mr and Mrs Robertson, Messrs Ilford, Wooley.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per P. & O. s.s. Nagoya, from London March 20.—Mr D Muyr, Mrs Hunter, Mr & Mrs A R Taylor and 2 children, Mr and Mrs Flesse and child, Mr S Logan, Mr H B Philips, Mr M Murphy, Mr Rayner, Mr N Keneally, Mr M Costello, Mrs J F Cooke & party, Mr E J Peet & Mr N P Johnson.

Per P. & O. s.s. Mooltan, from London March 20.—Mr J C Oswald, Mr A E Martin, Mr and Mrs F O'Kell, Miss Orr & Mr J. Hooper.

Per P. & O. s.s. Egypt, from London April 17.—Mr A H Compton and Mr J Poulsen.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Fushimi Maru, from London March 13.—Mrs Ducio, Miss Pettitt, Mr and Mrs A W Heron and two children, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs Hall, Mr J Muirhead, Mr G Hall, Mr & Mrs Souza, de Macedo, Mrs Joseph and Mr Connelly.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Hirano Maru, from London March 27.—Dr. W Burke.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Katori Maru, from London April 10.—Mr W A Sloan and Mr J Sloan.

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ALEXANDRA CAFE.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 12th at 11.55—Pressure has increased considerably in the neighbourhood of Shanghai and decreased quickly over S. Manchuria and Japan; other changes are slight.

The northern depression now covers S. Manchuria; the southern depression remains stationary. Pressure is highest in the Pacific to the east of the Bonins.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood	S. & S.W. winds, moderate, squally; cloudy generally.
2 Formosa Channel	The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamocks	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 12th April, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Winds D'tion.	Winds Force.	Weather.
W'ostock	7a	29.60	63	10		0	o
Nemuro	6a	30.08			sse	5	
Hakodate	,,	29.79			one	4	
Tokio	,,	29.77				0	
Kochi	,,	29.72			sw	1	
Nagasaki	,,	29.76			w	6	
K'sgima	,,	29.76			ene	5	
Oshima	,,	29.91			ssw	5	
Naha	,,	29.99			sw	2	
Ishi'jima	,,	29.95			s	5	
Bonin Is.	,,	30.18				0	
Onefoo	,,						
W'haiwei	,,	29.61	44	92	sw	3	ob
Hankow	,,						
Ichang	,,						
Kiukiang	,,						
Changsha	,,						
Shanghai	,,	29.90	50		nsw	1	bcm
Gutzlaff	,,	29.82	53		s	2	cv
Sharp P.	7a	30.01	71	71		0	o
Amoy	6a						
Swatow	,,	29.85	75	95	s	1	b
Taihoku	5a	29.84	70	88	wnw	2	o
Taichu	,,	29.92	68			0	b
Tainan	,,	29.91	72		e	2	b
Koshun	,,	29.89	77		sw	3	b
P'dores	,,	29.88	77		sse	3	b
Canton	6a	29.80	74	95	s	2	o
H'kong	,,	29.83	76	92	e	1	of
Gap Rock	,,	29.83			sse	3	c
Macao	,,						
Wuchow	9a	29.82	78	83	e	3	bc
Pakhoi	,,						
Hoihow	,,						
Phulien	6a	29.67	73	92	ese	6	b
Tourane	,,	29.75	81			0	of
C. St. J.	,,	29.85	79		ose	2	c
Aparri	,,	29.89	77	89	sso	1	o
Dagupan	,,	29.86	77	85	s	4	b
Manila	,,	29.89	72	88		0	b
Legaspi	,,	29.89	79	89	nne	1	b
Tacloban	,,	29.88	75	96	wnw	2	o
Iloilo	,,	29.86	79		n	4	b
Surigao	,,	29.87	75	91	e	2	o
Labuan	,,						

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, April 12.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the Humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths

METEOROLOGICAL.

	Previous Day at 8 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.85	29.88	29.92
Temperature	76	80	81
Humidity	92	81	78
Wind Direction	E	SW	SW
,, Force	1	2	2
Weather	cf	cq	cq
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air Temperature on the 11th 85
Lowest ,, ,, ,, ,, 76

H.K. Observatory, 9th April.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

12th Apr., to 18th Apr., 1915.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water Hongkong Mean Time.	Ht.	Low Water Hongkong Mean Time.	Ht.
Mon.	12	m 8 16	5.3	m 1 54	1.8
		8 28 a	6.1	8 52	0.6
Tues.	13	m 8 33	5.6	m 2 22	0.5
		9 11 a	5.8	9 45a	0.9
Wed.	14	m 8 54	5.9	m 2 49	0.5
		9 53 a	5.7	10 28a	0.6
Thur.	15	m 9 18	5.3	m 3 18	0.5
		10 36 a	5.2	11 5 a	1.1
Fri.	16	m 9 50	4.5	m 3 39	2.2
		11 20 a	4.7	11 45a	1.4
Sat.	17	m 9 49	3.6	m 4 0	3.7
				5 27a	1.5
Sun.	18	m 0 9	4.0	m 4 16	3.4
		m 10 22	3.7	6 12a	1.2

m morning. a afternoon.

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